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## OFFICERS, 1907-1908.

THOMAS T. MUNFORD, *Grand Commander*.....Lynchburg, Va.  
S. S. BROOKE, *First Lieut. Commander*.....Roanoke, Va.  
JNO. C. EWELL, *Second Lieut. Commander*.....Bertrand, Va.  
WM. C. WHITTLE, *Third Lieut. Commander*.....Norfolk, Va.  
CARTER R. BISHOP, *Inspector-General*.....Petersburg, Va.  
DAVID A. BROWN, JR., *Quartermaster-General*.....Richmond, Va.  
REV. JNO. P. HYDE, *Chaplain-General*.....Winchester, Va.  
DR. HERBERT M. NASH, *Surgeon-General*.....Norfolk, Va.  
JOS. V. BIDGOOD, *Adjutant-General*.....1712 Park Ave., Richmond, Va.

### Aids-de-Camp.

MAJOR RICHARD C. TAYLOR.....Norfolk, Va.  
CAPTAIN FRANK ROBERTSON.....Abingdon, Va.  
MAJOR SAM'L. GRIFFIN.....Roanoke, Va.  
CAPTAIN MICAJAH WOODS.....Charlottesville, Va.

### Advisory Council.

THE GRAND COMMANDER AND COMMANDERS OF ALL THE CAMPS.

### Committee on Finance.

STITH BOLLING, *Chairman*.  
JOHN C. EWELL, RICHARD MANSON (appointed 1905), JAMES MACGILL,  
WM. A. SMOOT.  
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### Committee for Publishing a School History for Use in Our Public and Private Schools.

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CARTER R. BISHOP, GEO. L. CHRISTIAN, WILLIAM H.  
STEWART, THOS. D. RANSON, MICAJAH WOODS,  
R. A. BROCK, JAMES MANN, W. H.  
HURKAMP.

Appointed in 1892, continued and enlarged in 1893, continued in 1894, continued and enlarged in 1895, continued in 1896, continued and enlarged in 1897, two resigned, continued in 1898, two resigned, continued and enlarged in 1899, one died, one resigned, continued 1900, two died, continued 1901; two died, continued 1903-1904-1905-1906-1907, one died, continued 1908.

**Committee on Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Auxiliary.**THOS. P. POLLARD, *Chairman.*E. P. COX, W. B. BROWN, BLACKBURN SMITH, C. W. McVICAR,  
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**Committee on Legislation.**WILLIAM KEAN, *Chairman.*GEO. L. CHRISTIAN, JAMES MACGILL, GEO. A. MULVEY, J. W. HUNDLEY.  
(Appointed 1907.)

Continued, 1900-1902-1903-1904-1905-1906-1907 and 1908.

**Assistant Inspectors-General, 1907-1908.**

1st District—	CAPT. GEO. W. NELMS.....	Newport News, Va.
2d     "	CAPT. E. V. WHITE.....	Norfolk, Va.
3d     "	O. B. MORGAN.....	Richmond, Va.
4th    "	DR. J. EDWARD MOYLER.....	Petersburg, Va.
5th    "	COL. WILLIAM POWELL.....	Pen Hook, Va.
6th    "	CAPT. JAMES C. FEATHERSTON.....	Lynchburg, Va.
7th    "	MAJ. J. OGDEN MURRAY.....	Winchester, Va.
8th    "	CAPT. JOHN A. HOLTZMAN.....	Jefferson, Culpeper County, Va.
9th    "	JUDGE SAMUEL W. WILLIAMS.....	Wytheville, Va.
10th   "	CAPT. G. JULIAN PRATT.....	Waynesboro, Va.

**GENERAL ORDERS.****HEADQUARTERS.**GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS,  
Department of Virginia.

PORTSMOUTH, VA., Nov. 28, 1906.

*To the Commanders of Camps of Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia:***GENERAL ORDER No. 1.**

1. With high appreciation and profound gratitude for the great honor conferred on me by the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia, at its Nineteenth Annual Meeting, held in Roanoke, Virginia, on the 24th to the 26th of October, 1906, I hereby assume the duties of the office of Grand Commander of the Department of Virginia, and assure you that your great compliment will always be cherished by me.

In order that I may continue the good work already accomplished by the Grand Camp, I most earnestly ask the cordial support and co-operation of all of its officers, and the officers and members of all subordinate Camps, in the efforts to increase the interest and usefulness of this Grand Camp in correcting false histories taught to our children about our struggle for constitutional liberty, and in the amelioration of the condition of the sick and disabled Confederate soldiers, sailors and their families.

2. Col. Joseph V. Bidgood, of Richmond, Virginia, is hereby appointed Adjutant-General; and Thomas Shannon, of Portsmouth, Virginia; Thomas Smith, of Warrenton, Virginia; Wm. C. Whittle, of Norfolk, Virginia; and Robert R. Henry, of Tazewell, Virginia, are appointed Aids-de-Camp to the Grand Commander, and these officers will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

3. The Grand Commander earnestly requests that the Adjutants of subordinate Camps will, on receipt of these orders, report promptly to the Adjutant-General the number and general condition of his Camp.

4. The attention of the Camps is especially directed to the provisions of the by-laws assessing them with ten cents for each member, to defray the necessary expenses of the Grand Camp, and prohibiting any Camp from representation in the Grand Camp until these dues are paid to the Quartermaster-General, David A. Brown, Jr., at Richmond, Va. Each Camp which has paid its dues as above stated is entitled to representation in the Grand Camp, in the ratio of one delegate for every twenty members or fractional part thereof over fourteen members. This is urgent, as funds are required to meet necessary expenses.

5. The Grand Commander urges each Camp in the department to form a Camp of Sons of Confederate Veterans and a Chapter of Daughters of the Confederacy. To these organizations we must look to perpetuate the memories of the deeds and to uphold the principles for which the Confederate soldier fought.

The Grand Commander also urges the Camps to join the United Confederate Veterans, especially in view of their meeting in Richmond next year. Considering the great part borne by Virginia in the Confederate war, representation of this organization is by no means what it should be or can be made by the proper efforts of the Camps.

6. The Grand Commander requests the subordinate Camps to acquaint themselves, as far as practicable, with the books used in the schools of their several localities, and to urge them to report to the History Committee any book or books that fail to foster in the minds of our children a becoming pride in the deeds of their fathers, and that fail to give a truthful recital of the principles which actuated the Confederate soldier.

7. The 100th anniversary of the birthday of General Robert E. Lee occurs on Saturday, January 19, 1907, and the Grand Commander urges every Camp in his command to celebrate the day with a public service, to be held at twelve o'clock M., and that there be used in the service the Hymns: "How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord," and "For All the Saints Who from Their Labors Rest."

8. Inspector-General T. C. Morton has appointed the following District Inspectors-General for the ensuing year:

First Congressional District.....Capt. Geo. W. Nelms,  
Newport News, Va.  
Second Congressional District.....Capt. E. V. White,  
Norfolk, Va.  
Third Congressional District.....Capt. O. B. Morgan,  
Richmond, Va.  
Fourth Congressional District.....Dr. J. Edward Moyle,  
Petersburg, Va.  
Fifth Congressional District.....Col. Jas. M. Neal,  
Danville, Va.  
Sixth Congressional District.....Capt. Jas. C. Featherston,  
Lynchburg, Va.  
Seventh Congressional District.....Maj. J. Ogden Murray,  
Winchester, Va.  
Eighth Congressional District.....Capt. John A. Holtzman,  
Jeffersonton, Culpeper Co., Va.  
Ninth Congressional District.....Judge Samuel W. Williams,  
Wytheville, Va.  
Tenth Congressional District.....Capt. G. Julian Pratt,  
Waynesboro, Va.

By order

JOS. V. BIDGOOD,  
*Adjutant-General.*

WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
*Grand Commander.*

PORTSMOUTH, VA., Nov. 28th, 1906.

*To the Commanders of Camps of Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia:*

GENERAL ORDER No. 2.

At the Nineteenth Annual Meeting of the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia, held at Roanoke, Va., on the 24-26th day of October, 1906, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Grand Commander.....William H. Stewart, Portsmouth, Va.  
First Lieutenant Grand Commander:

Thomas T. Munford, Lynchburg, Va.

Second Lieut. Grand Commander.....S. S. Brooks, Roanoke, Va.

Third Lieut. Grand Commander.....John C. Ewell, Lancaster, Va.

Quartermaster-General....David A. Brown, Jr., Richmond, Va.



Inspector-General.....Thomas C. Morton, Staunton, Va.  
 Chaplain-General.....Rev. John P. Hyde, Winchester, Va.  
 Surgeon-General....Dr. James William Claiborne, Petersburg, Va.

*Appointments by the Grand Commander:*

Adjutant-General.....Jos. V. Bidgood, Richmond, Va.  
 Aid-de-Camp..... Thomas Shannon, Portsmouth, Va.  
 Aid-de-Camp..... Thomas Smith, Warrenton, Va.  
 Aid-de-Camp..... Wm. C. Whittle, Norfolk, Va.  
 Aid-de-Camp..... R. R. Henry, Tazewell, Va.  
 Jos. V. BIDGOOD,                      WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
     *Adjutant-General.*                      *Grand Commander.*

PORTSMOUTH, VA., Feb. 22, 1907.

*To the Commanders of Camps of Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia:*

GENERAL ORDER NO. 3:

Your Grand Commander has observed with deep regret the lagging interest in the meetings of our Camps, and as usual, in all our difficulties, has decided to appeal to the ladies for help.

As the best means of giving new life to our organizations, he has conceived the idea of musical entertainments by a uniformed choir, singing war songs at the opening and closing of regular meetings.

Two Camps have already adopted the plan, which has acted like magic in giving life and interest to camp work.

"It is a beautiful idea, this singing of the old war songs that cheered the Confederate soldier along many a weary march, and made bright for him his sombre bivouac in the pines, before he wrapped his blanket about him and lay down to dream of home.

"Now that the battles are past and the march on which he trudges is that along the path of life, one, which for most of the gallant soldiers of the South, is broadening out toward the glory of a more perfect day, the music of those sweet-voiced daughters of Dixie, heard in the familiar airs dear to the hearts of the veterans, cheers them again, even as the same songs, sung with all the martial ardor of young hearts and voices, did in the long ago."

Your Grand Commander, therefore, urges all Camps to select some accomplished vocalist to organize a Confederate Choir on the basis of the form of a constitution herewith enclosed.

The Grand Commander will number the choirs in the order of organization on his approval of the charter; the first organized No. 1, second No. 2, and so on.

It is the hope of your Grand Commander to see these vocal orders multiply, so they can be organized into regiments, brigades and divisions, forming Virginia's Grand Vocal Army, in Confederate gray, to sing at meetings of the Grand Camp, and to give a concert in the auditorium of the Jamestown Exposition, on Grand Camp day in October, that will be one of the greatest, sweetest and most impressive patriotic festivals of song that has ever before been heard at one time and place, breathing the very essence of that spirit of sacrifice, devotion to duty, and love of home and country, that inspired the Confederate soldier from April, 1861, to April, 1865.

The Grand Commander hereby designates Mrs. J. Griff. Edwards, Captain of Confederate Choir No. 1, Portsmouth, Va., to give newly appointed Captains instructions as to uniforms and other information desired.

By order of

JOS. V. BIDGOOD,  
     *Adjutant-General.*

WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
     *Grand Commander.*

PORTSMOUTH, VA., July 31, 1907.

*To the Commanders of Camps Composing the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia:*

GENERAL ORDER NO. 4.

1. The Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia will be held at Norfolk, Va., commencing on Wednesday, the 16th day of October, 1907, and will continue three days. The sessions of the Grand Camp on the 16th and 17th of October will be held in the Armory Hall, on Monticello Avenue, Norfolk, and on the 18th of October in the Convention Hall at the Jamestown Exposition. Each Commander will give notice to his Camp, so that one delegate and one alternate to every twenty-five members, or fraction thereof

exceeding fourteen, can be elected and reported to the Adjutant-General, Jos. V. Bidgood, Richmond, Va.

Our hosts, Picket-Buchanan Camp, Confederate Veterans, Norfolk Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade and Business Men's Association, The Retail Merchants' Association and the Jamestown Exposition, will arrange to make the occasion one of great interest and pleasure, and will in due time send a circular to each Camp, giving full information of program and of the hotel and railroad rates. As has been the custom for several years, the Grand Commander will appoint one Sponsor and Maid of Honor from each Congressional District, on the recommendation of the several District Inspectors, and he will also appoint one Sponsor and Maid of Honor from the State at large.

Railroad rates can be had from your local agent.

2. Every Camp which has not complied with Article VIII, Section 1, of the "By-Laws, Rules and Regulations," which provides that, "each of the Camps composing the Grand Camp shall be assessed and pay ten cents per member annually to defray the expenses of the Grand Camp, and (that) no Camp shall be entitled to representation at any meeting of the Grand Camp unless its assessment has been paid to the Quartermaster-General, or other proper officers, prior to or at said meeting." Please remit the unpaid dues at once to Quartermaster-General David A. Brown, Jr., at Richmond, Va.

3. The special attention of the Adjutant of each Camp is called to the blank Report enclosed with this order, and he is earnestly requested to fill out this blank in full at the earliest moment practicable, and return it to the Adjutant-General, Richmond, Va. This is important, in order to keep the roster of the Grand Camp complete to date with the names and addresses of all of the present acting officers of the several Camps. Without these reports, past officers' names are continued on the Grand Camp roster, thus producing confusion and delay in carrying out the orders as they are issued.

By Command of

Jos. V. BIDGOOD,  
*Adjutant-General.*

WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
*Grand Commander.*

PORTSMOUTH, VA., *Sept. 16, 1907.*

GENERAL ORDER No. 5.

At the request of the Committee of Arrangements of Pickett-Buchanan Camp, Confederate Veterans, the dates of the meetings of the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans of Virginia, are changed from the 16th, 17th and 18th of October to the 23d, 24th and 25th of October, 1907.

By Command of

JOS. V. BIDGOOD,  
*Adjutant-General.*

WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
*Grand Commander.*

PORTSMOUTH, VA., *Nov. 28, 1907*

SPECIAL ORDER No. 1.

Dr. Herbert M. Nash, of Norfolk, Va., is hereby appointed Surgeon-General of the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia, to fill the vacancy in this Department occasioned by the death of our Comrade, Dr. James W. Claiborne, late Surgeon-General.

By Command of

JOS. V. BIDGOOD,  
*Adjutant-General.*

WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
*Grand Commander.*

PORTSMOUTH, VA., *Aug. 7, 1907.*

SPECIAL ORDER No. 2.

Captain Carter R. Bishop, of A. P. Hill Camp, Confederate Veterans, Petersburg, Va., is hereby appointed Inspector-General of the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia, to fill the vacancy in this Department occasioned by the death of our Comrade, Captain T. C. Morton, late Inspector-General.

By command of

JOS. V. BIDGOOD,  
*Adjutant-General.*

WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
*Grand Commander.*

PORTSMOUTH, VA., *Sept. 5, 1907.*

SPECIAL ORDER No. 3.

Col. William Powell of Penhook, Va. is hereby appointed Assistant Inspector-General of the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans Department of Virginia, to fill the vacancy in the Fifth



District of this Department occasioned by the death of our Comrade, Col. J. M. Neal of Danville, Va., late Assistant Inspector-General of the said Fifth District.

By command of  
 Jos. V. BIDGOOD, WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
*Adjutant-General.* *Grand Commander.*

GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

Department of Virginia.

RICHMOND, VA., Nov. 28, 1906.

#### COMRADES:

We are again called upon to pay a tribute of respect to a distinguished Confederate soldier and citizen, Dr. James William Claiborne, Surgeon-General to the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans of Virginia. He died November 22, 1906, at his home, in the city of Petersburg.

He was a descendant of a noted family in the annals of our State, a skilful surgeon, a faithful physician, and useful citizen—one who had traveled in foreign countries and stored up much knowledge for the duties of his profession and relief of his fellow-man. Born in King William County, June 5, 1825, he reached the ripe old age of eighty-one. He entered the Confederate Army in 1861 as a private, but his worth as a physician was recognized, and he was soon transferred to the Medical Department of the Army. Promoted from the rank of Field Surgeon of the 12th Virginia Regiment, Mahone's Brigade, to Division Surgeon, he served until the end of the war, when he returned to Petersburg and resumed the practice of medicine until the close of his life.

He was Surgeon of A. P. Hill Camp and Surgeon-General of the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans of Virginia. A comrade says of him:

"He was a man of ripe scholarship, and a gentleman of the old school of illustrious ideals. He was a lifelong member of the Episcopal Church, and for many years Senior Warden of Grace Episcopal Church of Petersburg."

By command of  
 Jos. V. BIDGOOD, WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
*Adjutant-General.* *Grand Commander.*

GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS,  
 Department of Virginia.

PORTSMOUTH, VA., Aug. 3, 1907.

*Comrades of the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans of Virginia:*

Your ranks have been again reduced by the death of your Inspector-General, Thomas Colgate Morton, which occurred on Tuesday evening, July 30, 1907. Death came to him suddenly—without a moment's warning—yet he was ready, and we are consoled by the thought that his demise was without pain or suffering. His passing away was like the setting of an evening sun—without a cloud. He was a devoted Presbyterian, zealous in the discharge of his religious duties, and never let slip an opportunity to advance the cause of his Church and help to induce men to walk in that straight and narrow way that leads to eternal life.

He was a native of Botetourt County. In 1875 he moved to Staunton, and for several years was the publisher of the "Vindicator," a well-known newspaper of that city. He was an earnest worker in the various fraternal orders.

Comrade Morton entered the Confederate army in 1861, and served until the war ended in 1865. He had no more doubt as to the right of the principles for which he fought than that upon which he based his hope for future reward, and never let an occasion pass to undertake to set history right, and commemorate the achievements of those who followed the banner of the cause we hold so dear. Governor Letcher commissioned him a Captain in the Virginia forces. He was a member of Edgar's Battalion, was desperately wounded in the battle of Cold Harbor, and was left on the field for dead.

For many years he was Inspector-General of the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans of Virginia, and his annual reports to that body will show how well he performed his duty. He was Past Commander of Stonewall Jackson Camp. According to his request, often expressed, he was buried in his Confederate uniform, and his bier covered by the Battle-flag he followed so faithfully.

Not farewell, Comrade, but Good-bye!

By command of  
 Jos. V. BIDGOOD, WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
*Adjutant-General.* *Grand Commander.*



## RECORD SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

### Department of Virginia.

As a result of the Military Conference held in the city of Richmond on the 16th of December, 1887, and on the 13th of January, 1888, the accredited representatives from the following Camps, viz: Pickett-Buchanan Camp, of Norfolk, Va.; Stonewall Camp, of Portsmouth, Va.; A. P. Hill Camp, of Petersburg, Va., and R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, of Richmond, Va., met in R. E. Lee Camp Hall, Richmond, on the 13th day of February, 1888. An organization was effected, and Orders and Regulations adopted for the government of the Grand Camp C. V., as reported by the Military Conference on the 13th of January, 1888, and regular officers elected to serve until the next annual meeting, to be held on the second Tuesday in May, 1888. Four camps on roster.

John R. Cooke, Richmond, Va., re-elected Grand Commander.

1888, MAY 8TH.—First regular annual meeting was held at Lee Camp Hall, Richmond, Va.

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John R. Cooke re-elected Grand Commander.

1888, SEPTEMBER.—Resignation of General John R. Cooke as Grand Commander received, and First Lieutenant Grand Commander E. M. Henry became Grand Commander.

1889, JUNE 6TH.—Second regular annual meeting was held in the Academy of Music, Norfolk, Va. Ten camps on roster.

E. M. Henry,\* Norfolk, Va., elected Grand Commander.

The Legislature of Virginia, session 1889-'90, passed a bill to incorporate the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia, which was approved January 20, 1890.

1890, JUNE 9TH.—The third annual meeting was held in the chorus room of the Petersburg Musical Association, Petersburg, Va. Ten camps on roster.

W. P. Smith,\* Richmond, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1891, JUNE 10TH.—The fourth annual meeting was held in Courthouse, Fredericksburg, Va. Fifteen camps on roster.

W. P. Smith re-elected Grand Commander.

1892, JUNE 22D AND 23D.—The fifth annual meeting was held in the Opera House, Roanoke, Va. Twenty-five camps on roster.

Thomas A. Brander,\* Richmond, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1893, JUNE 14TH AND 15TH.—The sixth annual meeting was held in Pythian Castle, Portsmouth, Va. Thirty camps on roster.

Hugh R. Smith, Petersburg, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1894, JUNE 6TH AND 7TH.—The seventh annual meeting was held in Sarepta Hall Alexandria, Va. Thirty-one camps on roster.

Thomas Lewis, Roanoke, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1895, JUNE 4TH AND 5TH.—The eighth annual meeting was held in Armory Charlottesville, Va. Forty-three camps on roster.

William A. Smoot, Alexandria, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1896, OCTOBER 27TH AND 28TH.—The ninth annual meeting was held in Courthouse Hall, Winchester, Va. Eighty-five camps on roster.

John Cussons, Glen Allen, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1897, OCTOBER 20TH, 21ST AND 22D.—The tenth annual meeting was held in R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, C. V. Hall, Richmond, Va. Eighty-eight camps on roster.

James N. Stubbs, Woods X Roads, elected Grand Commander.

1898, JANUARY 22D.—James N. Stubbs resigned, and John J. Williams became Grand Commander.

1898, OCTOBER 4TH, 5TH AND 6TH.—The eleventh annual meeting was held in Rixey's Hall, Culpeper, Va. Ninety-one camps on roster.

John J. Williams,\* Winchester, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1899, OCTOBER 11TH, 12TH AND 13TH.—The twelfth annual meeting was held at Pulaski, Va. Ninety-two camps on roster.

Stith Bolling, Petersburg, Va., elected Grand Commander.

\* Dead.

1900, OCTOBER 10TH, 11TH AND 12TH.—The thirteenth annual meeting was held in Columbian Hall, Staunton, Va. Ninety-five camps on roster.

Richard L. Maury, \*Richmond, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1901, OCTOBER 23D, 24TH AND 25TH.—The fourteenth annual meeting was held in Opera House, Petersburg, Va. Ninety-seven camps on roster.

Thomas W. Smith, Suffolk, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1902, OCTOBER 22D, 23D AND 24TH.—The fifteenth annual meeting was held in Opera House, Wytheville, Va. One hundred camps on roster.

James Macgill, Pulaski, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1903, OCTOBER 28TH, 29TH AND 30TH.—The sixteenth annual meeting was held in the Academy of Music, Newport News, Va. One hundred and sixteen camps on roster.

George L. Christian, Richmond, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1904, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 12TH AND 13TH.—The seventeenth annual meeting was held in Booker's Warehouse, Lynchburg, Va. One hundred and twenty-one camps on roster.

W. E. Harwood, Petersburg, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1905, OCTOBER 25TH, 26TH AND 27TH.—The eighteenth annual meeting was held in the Academy of Music, Petersburg, Va. One hundred and twenty-two camps on roster.

John H. Fulton, \* Wytheville, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1906, OCTOBER 24TH, 25TH AND 26TH.—The nineteenth annual meeting was held in the Academy of Music, Roanoke, Va. One hundred and twenty-five camps on roster.

Col. W. H. Stewart, Portsmouth, Va., elected Grand Commander.

1907, OCTOBER 23D, 24TH AND 25TH.—The twentieth annual meeting was held in the Armory Hall in the City of Norfolk, Va. One hundred and twenty-four camps on the roster. Wise Camp No. 78, Buckingham C. H., merged into Irving Camp No. 61, Buckingham C. H.

Gen. Thomas T. Munford, Lynchburg, Va., elected Grand Commander.

\* Dead.

## PROCEEDINGS, 1907.

### FIRST DAY.

#### HEADQUARTERS GRAND CAMP C. V.

#### DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA.

The twentieth annual meeting of the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans was held in the Armory Hall, Norfolk, Va., Wednesday, October 23, 1907, 12 o'clock M.

The Grand Commander called the meeting to order, with following officers, and Past Grand Commanders present:

WILLIAM H. STEWART, *Grand Commander*.... Portsmouth.  
THOMAS T. MUNFORD, *First Lieut. Grand Com'd'r*, Lynchburg.  
S. S. BROOKE, *Second Lieut. Grand Commander*, Roanoke, Va.  
JOHN C. EWELL, *Third Lieut. Grand Com'd'r*, Bertrand, Va.  
DAVID A. BROWN, JR., *Quartermaster-General*, Richmond, Va.  
REV. JOHN P. HYDE, *Chaplain-General*.... Winchester, Va.  
DR. HERBERT M. NASH, *Surgeon-General*.... Norfolk, Va.  
JOS. V. BIDGOOD, *Adjutant-General*..... Richmond, Va.

#### *Aids-de-Camp.*

THOMAS SHANNON..... Portsmouth, Va.  
THOMAS SMITH..... Warrenton, Va.  
WM. C. WHITTLE..... Norfolk, Va.  
ROBERT R. HENRY..... Tazewell, Va.

#### *Past Grand Commanders.*

WM. A. SMOOT..... Alexandria, Va.  
J. N. STUBBS..... Woods Crossroads, Va.  
STITH BOLLING..... Petersburg, Va.  
THOMAS W. SMITH..... Suffolk, Va.  
GEO. L. CHRISTIAN..... Richmond, Va.



## Programme.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23.

Selection by Band.

Music, "Virginia," by United Confederate Choirs.

Prayer by the Rev. J. P. Hyde, Grand Chaplain.

Selection by Band.

Address of Welcome on behalf of the City of Norfolk, by Hon. D.

S. Burwell, President of the Board of Aldermen.

Response, by General Thos. T. Munford, of Lynchburg, Va.,  
First Lieut. Grand Commander.

Music, "Bonnie Blue Flag," by United Confederate Choirs.

Address of Welcome on behalf of Pickett-Buchanan Camp, C. V.,  
by Capt. Wm. C. Whittle.

Selection by Band.

Response, by Col. Thos. Smith, of Warrenton, Va.

Music, "Suwanee River," by United Confederate Choirs.

Address of Welcome on behalf of the Business Association of  
Norfolk, by Hon. Wm. T. Anderson.

Response, by Judge Samuel W. Williams, of Wytheville, Va.

Music, "Dixie," by United Confederate Choirs, accompanied by  
Band.

## Grand Commander's Report

Col. William H. Stewart, Grand Commander read his report  
as follows:

HEADQUARTERS.

GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

Department of Virginia.

PORTSMOUTH, VA., Oct. 23, 1907

*To The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans,*

*Department of Virginia:*

COMRADES: I have the honor to submit this twentieth annual  
report as your Grand Commander.

On the sixth of June, 1889, the second annual meeting of the  
Grand Camp was held in this historic City of Norfolk, when the

lamented E. M. Henry was elected Grand Commander. There  
were ten camps on the roll at that date and now it numbers 125,  
which appears to be the high water mark of its corporate life, and  
sad as it may be, it seems to be passing out with the tide.

I hope however that Comrades will in future give more attention  
to the work and that the coming year will be more fruitful of good  
than the past.

In my desire to revive interest in camp work, I conceived the  
idea of vested or uniformed Choirs to enliven the meetings of our  
camps attract attendance: and upon this suggestion in a general  
order, some in this jurisdiction have acted with good results.

It is with feelings of deep distress that I announce the deaths of  
some of the most distinguished and valued officials of this organi-  
zation during my administration.

Past Commander, John H. Fulton; Surgeon-General, James W.  
Claiborne; Inspector-General, Thomas Colgate Morton; and Assist-  
ant-Inspector-General, James M. Neal have all gone to their  
eternal homes since our last happy reunion at Roanoke, Va.

"They are dead; but they live in each patriot's breast,  
And their names are engraven on honor's bright crest."

According to custom but without special authority under our  
constitution, I have appointed the following comrades to fill the  
unexpired terms:

Dr. Herbert M. Nash of Picket-Buchanan Camp, Norfolk, Va,  
Surgeon-General.

Capt. Carter R. Bishop, of A. P. Hill Camp, Petersburg, Va.  
Inspector-General.

Col. William Powell, Assistant-Inspector-General for the Fifth  
Congressional District.

I earnestly urge the Grand Camp to petition the next legislature  
to modify the present pension law and to increase the amount of  
pensions.

I heartily commend the proposed memorial to our state troops  
who gallantly fought on the field of Gettysburg, and hope our  
legislative committee will urge an appropriation at least equal  
to that of Alabama, (\$25,000). I also ask the endorsement of  
this Grand Camp for the R. E. Lee Memorial at Washington and  
Lee University, and the proposition of Comrade Geo. M. Edgar  
for an equestrian statue of Stonewall Jackson.

## "STONEWALL" JACKSON.

*A Fitting Monument to His Genius Suggested.*

An Open Letter

*Col. William H. Stewart, Commander, and Fellow-members of the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia:*

COMRADES: No one rejoices more than the writer of this appeal that the courage, self-sacrifice and patriotism of Robert E. Lee, J. E. B. Stuart, John B. Gordon, Wade Hampton, and Nathan B. Forrest have been commemorated by their countrymen in the magnificent equestrian statues they have erected as perpetual object-lessons to the young of the ages to come of what these noble spirits achieved in the period of our country's greatest peril.

But is it not surprising that no effort has yet been made to erect a similar memorial to the immortal "Stonewall" Jackson, who won world-wide fame in a campaign of but three months' duration? That Virginia, his native State, who in the time of her poverty and desolation, accepted for herself and the South a statue in his memory from English gentlemen should in her renewed vigor and prosperity have failed to commemorate his dazzlingly brilliant career in as beautiful an equestrian statue as art can produce? Shall this son of Virginia, whom the great Lee called his right arm, and who, he later declared, would have turned the tide of battle in our favor at Gettysburg and doubtless ensured the success of our cause, had his life been spared to participate in that crucial test of generalship and valor, and whom the military critics far and near, have placed high on the scroll of the world's greatest soldiers; shall this unique figure in American history be the last to have his genius and exalted character commemorated by a fitting symbol?

Veterans, comrades, let it not be! Our ranks are being rapidly thinned by the Grim Reaper, whose hand neither men nor angels can stay! It behooves us to take the lead in a movement which the concensus of opinion of all who cherish the memories of the Civil War cannot fail to endorse. Not that Jackson's fame is dependent upon any monument, however imposing, but that his countrymen shall discharge their duty to themselves, their country and succeeding generations by expressing in a fitting memorial their estimate of his wonderful genius, self-sacrificing patriotism and exalted virtues.

How this can be most effectively and speedily done, whether by memorializing the Legislature of Virginia for an appropriation of \$50,000 for the purpose, without asking other aid; or whether a smaller appropriation be asked for, to be supplemented by voluntary offerings, is a matter to be carefully considered.

Immediate action is essential to secure an appropriation by the next Legislature. Need I urge that action? To do more than suggest it would be a reflection on the high estimate that you and all ardent Southerners place on the character and deeds of one who shed imperishable glory on our cause and American manhood as well.

Regretting that I cannot appear in person to present this appeal, I am,

Cordially yours,

GEO. M. EDGAR.

*Lexington, Ky., October 10, 1907.*

There is one of our comrades, who is not here on account of poor health, who originated and by an indefatigable labor of love followed to success the "Pictorial History of Confederate Heroes." The Lee Camp Portrait gallery is the largest and most valuable collection of portraits of distinguished Confederate Soldiers in the world; and I feel that it would be a graceful thing for this Grand Camp to recognize by proper resolutions, in this ter-centennial year of American history, the great work of our beloved and chivalrous comrade, John E. Laughton, Jr.

I congratulate you, my comrades, on the success of the "Battle Abbey" under the direction of our distinguished and beloved comrade Rev. J. William Jones, D. D.

I wish to impress upon the camps of this jurisdiction the importance of having regular meetings, and I earnestly appeal to comrades to attend the meetings, to look after their sick and to help those who are in needy circumstances. I too frequently hear of pitiful and distressing cases which should have the care of those who can afford them help.

I refer the Grand Camp to the reports of the Quartermaster-General and Inspector-General for detailed statement of the condition of the Grand Camp as well as the local camps throughout the State.

Major R. W. Hunter, Secretary of Virginia Military Records has been a faithful servant of the people of Virginia, and I request your attention to his reports. I hope every veteran has read his last annual report published in the proceedings of our meeting at Roanoke; but as some may have neglected that duty, I especially call their attention to this extract: "As there has been much discussion as to the number of soldiers furnished to the Confederate service by the various Southern States, it may be interesting to note, that, from the Report of the Confederate Bureau of Conscription to be found in Series 4, Volume 3, pages 95 to 103, and page 126, it appears that the number of troops furnished and put into the field by Virginia and other States up to January 25, 1864 was as follows:

Virginia.....	153,876
Georgia.....	106,157
Alabama.....	90,857
North Carolina.....	88,457



Mississippi.....	66,982
South Carolina.....	60,127

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Up to that date Virginia had put into the field:

- 63 Regiments of Infantry.
- 40 Battalions of Infantry.
- 20 Regiments of Cavalry.
- 40 Battalions of Cavalry.
- 125 Batteries of Artillery.

The importance of the office of Military Secretary of Virginia is so evident, that I hope this camp will urge the Legislature at the next session to make it permanent and also ask our senators and representatives in Congress to urge the publication of the War Department Roster at the earliest possible date.

We are assembled today in the City of Norfolk to which we were cordially invited by Pickett-Buchanan Camp, C. V. the, Business Associations of the city, and the Board of Managers of the Jamestown Exposition. This is the great seaport city of the South, where you will find many attractions and places of great historical interest. Our hosts have made an elaborate program for our pleasure and the cordiality with which all citizens have greeted us is most certain proof that every Confederate will have a good time during his stay here in the beautiful city by the sea.

I hope you will aid me in expediting the business of the Grand Camp so as to give as much time as possible to the enjoyment of the Exposition and entertainments which have been so generously tendered us.

I have not filled the high office of Grand Commander to my own satisfaction, but in relinquishing the trust, it is a pleasure to know that one better fitted will take up the work and carry it on to a more successful issue.

Comrades: believe me with every wish for your happiness your faithful friend,

WILLIAM H. STEWART.

On motion the report of the Grand Commander was referred to the committee on Resolutions and Distribution.

The Grand Commander appointed the following committee on Credentials:

1. H. C. HOGGARD, Pickett-Buchanan Camp, Norfolk, Va.
2. T. B. JACKSON, Pickett-Buchanan Camp, Norfolk, Va.
3. THOS. SHANNON, Stonewall Camp, Portsmouth, Va.
4. HOMER ATKINSON, A. P. Hill Camp, Petersburg, Va.
5. W. MARION SEAY, Garland-Rodes Camp, Lynchburg, Va.

Dr. J. Wm. Jones moved that the Grand Camp do now adjourn to meet on the 24th at 10 o'clock A. M.

Adopted.

## SECOND DAY

Thursday, October 24, 1907.

The Grand Commander called the Grand Camp to order at 10 o'clock A. M.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Dr Hyde.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following report:  
*Commander Grand Camp:*

Your Committee on Credentials report the following Camps entitled to representation, 59, and 7 not entitled to vote.

H. C. HOGGARD,  
*Chairman.*

### DELEGATES.

1. R. E. LEE CAMP, No. 1.—Richmond, Va.—Past Commanders, Jos. T. Gray, John M. Warren, O. B. Morgan. Commander, W. B. Freeman. Delegates: C. W. P. Brock, Alex. Jennings, P. H. Mayo, John A. Curtis, P. J. White, Geo. T. Dean, W. B. Lightfoot, John F. Glenn, W. S. Archer, E. J. Boshier, John Lamb, J. Taylor Stratton, Geo. Wm. Jarvis, Henry Kracke. Alternates: John E. Owens Chas. T. Turner, A. O. Jones, W. M. Evans, John N. Gordon, W. R. Hall, Rev. J. Wm. Jones, W. E. Moore, E. D. Taylor, F. H. Rham, R. L. Lynn.

3. PICKETT-BUCHANAN, Norfolk, Va.—Past Commanders: A. Myers, Jas. M. Keeling, R. A. Dobie, H. C. Hoggard, D. S. Burwell. Commander, Alex. Hart. Delegate, T. B. Jackson.

4. STONEWALL, Portsmouth, Va.—Past Commanders: John W. H. Porter, R. C. Marshall, C. W. Walker, L. P. Slater. Commander, William H. Stewart. Delegates: C. H. Eckert, F. J. Nickolson. Alternates: Elvington Knott, E. J. Mears.

5. R. E. LEE CAMP, No. 2, Alexandria, Va.—Past Commander Edgar Warfield. Commander, W. A. Smoot. Delegates: J. C. Melburn, Jos. W. Hammond, John Hooff, F. J. Davidson.

6. A. P. HILL CAMP, No. 1, Petersburg, Va.—Past Commanders: W. Y. McCabe, H. R. Smith, L. L. Marks, John R. Patterson, W. E. Badjer, Robt. Thompson, P. B. Davis. Commander, Simon Seward. Delegates: G. S. Bernard, W. H. Braxton, Geo. J. Roges, T. S. Beckwith, Homer Atkinson, S. M. Green, J. E. Whitehouse, W. B. Richie, Robt. Gilliam, H. C. Roper.

8. GARLAND-RHODES, Lynchburg, Va.—Past Commander, Thos. T. Munford. Commander, T. D. Jennings. Delegates: James W. Wray, Jos. L. Thompson, W. M. Seay.

9. GEORGE E. PICKETT, Richmond, Va.—Delegates: Myer Angle, G. C. Smith, C. R. Wingfield, W. F. Hopkins.

10. R. E. LEE CAMP, No. 3. Hampton, Va.—Commander, R. K. Curtis. Delegates: R. J. Mossenburg, W. T. Westwood.

11. URGUHART-GILLETT, Courtland, Va.—Commander, Jos. L. Barham. Delegates: John I. Turner, Richard T. Barnes.

13. WILLIAM WATTS, Roanoke, Va.—Commander, W. B. Wernag. Delegates: Joel H. Cutchings, W. F. Allison, W. T. Blanton, S. L. Curtis, J. A. Aliff.

14. JOHN BOWIE-STRANGE, Charlottesville, Va.—Commander, Micajah Woods. Delegates: W. C. Payn, C. C. Wirtenbaker.

15. A. P. HILL CAMP, No. 2, Culpeper, Va.—Commander, H. C. Burroughs. Delegates: James Buckhorn, John H. Holtzman.

17. CALLCOTE-WRENN, Isle of Wight C. H., Va.—Commander, Josiah W. Jordon. Delegate, Jos. A. Turner.

19. THORNTON-PICKETT, Farmville, Va.—Commander, S. W. Paulett. Delegate, W. A. Allen.

20. STOVAR, Strasburg, Va.—Commander, R. D. Funkhouser. Delegates: John Harryman, W. C. Briggs.

21. J. A. EARLY, Rocky Mount, Va.—Commander, William Powell. Delegates: Wm. H. Hutchinson, J. T. Mathews.

22. TURNER ASHBY, Winchester, Va.—Commander, Geo. W. Kurtz. Delegates: Thos. K. Cartmell, Edward J. Read, Robert W. Hunter.

23. MAGRUDER-EWELL, Williamsburg, Va.—Commander, C. B. Trevillian, W. L. Jones, John W. Casey.

25. STONEWALL JACKSON, Staunton, Va.—Past Commander, H. E. Gary. Commander, T. A. Pace. Delegates: R. M. Gary, C. W. Baylor, Cyrus Criegh, D. W. Duke, Davidson Parsons, W. D. Waller.



26. L. A. ARMISTEAD, Clarksville, Va.—Commander, Henry Wood. Delegate, J. H. Terry.
27. LOUISA, Louisa C. H., Va.—Commander, William Kean. Delegates: Wm. McComb, W. T. Meade.
28. G. C. WHARTON, Radford, Va.—Commander, E. M. Ingles. Delegates: J. T. Bolling, W. P. Nye, James Micou, Andrew Ingles.
30. NIEMEYER-SHAW, Berkley, Va.—Past Commander, J. S. Whitworth. Commander, J. R. Speight.
31. JOHN W. ROWAN, Charlestown, W. Va.—Commander, Julius C. Holmes.
33. JAMES F. PRESTON, Christiansburg, Va.—Commander, H. D. Wade. Delegates: Geo. W. Fagg, W. W. Alizer.
34. H. A. CARRINGTON, Smithville, Charlotte Co., Va.—Commander, T. W. Scott. Delegates: J. P. Purcell, J. A. Ganes, J. H. Berger.
35. WILLIAM S. GRIMES, Gordonsville, Va.—Delegates: Geo. S. Parker, C. C. Taliaferro.
36. MAGRUDER, Newport News, Va.—Commander, J. A. Braxton. Delegates: G. H. Gibson, W. H. Ware.
37. HIGHLAND, Monterey, Va.—Past Commander, S. A. Gilmer. Delegate, Wm. A. Cunningham.
38. H. A. WISE AND W. H. F. LEE, Lunenburg, Va.—Commander, N. M. Neblett. Delegates: Jas. F. Eubank, F. S. Mason.
39. LANE-DIGGS, Mathews C. H., Va.—Commander, A. H. Williams. Delegates: N. B. Weston, L. B. Lane.
44. TOM SMITH, Suffolk, Va.—Delegate, A. B. Hargroves.
45. JONATHAN B. EVANS, Blacksburg, Va.—Commander, Boyd Anderson. Delegate, Samuel R. Broce.
47. PEACHY-GILMER-BRECKENRIDGE, Fincastle, Va.—Past Commander, J. K. Simmons. Commander, G. W. Breckenridge. Delegates: C. P. Switzer, Cary Breckenridge.
48. KEMPER-STROTHER-FRY, Madison, Va.—Delegate, John C. Utz.
49. WRIGHT-LATINE, Tappahannock, Va.—Commander, T. R. B. Wright. Delegates: Warner Lewis, M. P. Garnette.
50. JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON CAMP, No. 1, Bedford City, Va.—Commander, S. Griffin. Delegates: W. F. Graves, Owen Watson, John Stiff.

52. LAWSON-BALL, Lancaster, Va.—Commander, John C. Ewell. Delegates: John W. Churn, W. J. Stokes, Thos. B. Hurst, Thos. P. Towles.
53. PICKETT-STUART, Nottoway, Va.—Commander, Wm. Hodges Mann. Delegates: Thos. W. Epes, S. A. Severance.
54. FLUVANNA, Palmyra, Va.—Delegates: S. B. Arbogast, John O. Haden.
55. WILLIAM TERRY, Wytheville, Va.—Commander, J. J. A. Powell. Delegates: M. B. Cassel, Samuel W. Williams, E. C. Burton, J. Lumberger.
56. BROWN-HARMAN, Tazewell, Va.—Past Commander, R. R. Henry. Commander, A. J. Tynes. Delegate, C. T. Scott.
58. WESTMORELAND, Hague, Va.—Commander, Wm. Mayo. Delegates: B. B. Atwell, W. H. F. Wright.
59. JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON CAMP, No. 2, Manchester, Va.—Commander, B. M. Robertson. Delegates: C. P. Walthall, W. J. Harding.
64. STUART-HAIRSTON, Martinsville, Va.—Commander, O. M. Allen. Delegates: Chas. W. Jones.
69. HUPP-DYERLE, Salem, Va.—Commander, Geo. W. Zirkle. Delegates: M. J. Ballard, A. H. Whitsell.
70. BRUNSWICK, Lawrenceville, Va.—Commander, J. M. Flournoy. Delegates: J. E. Trotter, J. L. Merritt.
73. MARR, Fairfax C. H., Va.—Commander, I. N. Ballard. Delegates: T. T. Ball, Rev. Everard Meade.
74. BLUE RIDGE, Buena Vista, Va.—Commander, T. F. Amole. Delegate, J. R. Wright.
76. CABELL-GRAVES, Danville, Va.—Commander, Harry Wooding. Delegates: H. J. Miller, W. H. Power.
84. WILLIAM RICHARDSON, Front Royal, Va.—Commander, Irving A. Buck. Delegate, Thomas W. Timberlake.
85. SHENANDOAH, Woodstock, Va.—Delegates: S. E. Hauseflock, Geo. W. Miley.
90. S. B. GIBBONS, Harrisonburg, Va.—Delegate, Abram Pickering.
91. JOE KENDALL, Warrenton, Va.—Commander, Thomas Smith. Delegates: C. E. Haltclow, W. B. Tompkins, S. S. Jones.
93. GOSS-GRIGGOBY, Stony Point, Va.—Commander, Alvah Kase. Delegates: James M. Norford, Abram Kase.

96. PRINCESS ANNE, Princess Anne C. H., Va.—Past Commanders: James H. Bonney, William A. Barnes. Commander, E. E. Burroughs. Delegates: Geo. Mason, A. L. White.

102. CLINTWOOD, Clintwood, Va.—Commander, Felix Senter. Delegate, J. L. Adams.

103. IVANHOE, Ivanhoe, Va.—Commander, M. W. Jewett. Delegate, Wm. A. Vaughan.

105.—NEFF-RICE, New Market, Va.—Commander, C. Shirley. Delegates: James A. Zirkle, Noah Zirkle.

115. JENNINGS-HAYES, Hillsville, Va.—Commander, W. H. Southerland. Delegates: E. W. Franklin, H. R. Bishop.

116. BEAVER DAM, Valeria, Va.—Commander, J. T. Bradshaw. Delegate, John W. Robertson.

118. ALLEGHANY ROUGHS, Clifton Forge, Va.—Commander, J. S. Jordan. Delegates: James Green, J. O. Jordan, L. T. Dickey, R. R. Tribbett.

119. HARRY HETH, Washington, D. C.—Delegates: John H. Walsh, Edwin P. Jones.

122. CAROLINE COUNTY, Bowling Green, Va.—Commander, C. T. Smith. Delegates: W. C. Diggs, T. D. Coghill, James Boulware.

124. HALIFAX COUNTY, South Boston, Va.—Commander, Henry Easley. Delegate, D. B. Easley.

125. HARMONSON-WEST, Hallwood, Va.—Commander, Frank T. Fletcher. Delegates: William D. Jacob, Anthony L. Hall, Jr.

### SONS OF VETERANS.

448. NIEMYER CAMP, Berkley, Va.—Delegates: Ernest Sykes, C. R. Cory,

STONEWALL CAMP, Portsmouth, Va.—Delegates: Dr. F. S. Hope, Frank L. Crocker, Alex Grice, C. W. Walker, Jr., Samuel P. Pedrick, Kenneth J. Griffin.

### Quartermaster-General's Report.

Maj. D. A. Brown, Jr., Quartermaster-General read his report the financial condition of the Grand Camp which on motion was referred to the Committee on Finance.

*Receipts and Disbursements of the Quartermaster-General, Grand Camp Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia, from October 25, 1906, to October 25, 1907.*

### Receipts.

1906				
Oct.	25.	To Balance on hand.		\$350 75
		SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.		
	26.	To Dues, Gibson-McCready,	No. 65..	\$ 2 50
	27.	To Dues, Jos. E. Johnson,	No. 50..	5 00
		To Dues, Appomattox,	No. 41..	4 80
		To Dues, Pickett-Stuart,	No. 53..	7 20
		To Dues, Alleghany Roughs,	No. 118..	9 10
Dec.	1.	To Dues, H. A. Wise and W. F. Lee,	No. 38..	5 00
Oct.	24.	To Dues, R. E. Lee,	No. 2..	10 00
				43 60
		To Amount on hand, Oct., 1906		\$394 35
	1907.			
Jan.	1.	To Dues, L. A. Armstead	1905-06 No. 26..	8 50
Feb.	2.	To Dues, Louisa County	1906-07 No. 27..	4 00
	14.	To Dues, Stuart-Hairston	1905-06 No. 64..	7 80
Mar.	5.	To Dues, Rappahannock	1906-07 No. 107..	7 00
	9.	To Dues, Tom Smith	" No. 44..	4 80
	14.	To Dues, Maury	1904-05-06 No. 2..	10 00
		To Dues, Pickett-Buchanan	1906-07 No. 3..	15 00
	20.	To Dues, Caroline County	" No. 122..	7 40
		"	No. 125..	2 70
April	3.	To Dues, Harmonson-West	" No. 103..	1 60
	18.	To Dues, Ivanhoe	" No. 29..	3 00
	25.	To Dues, Page-Puller	" No. 111..	3 40
	30.	To Dues, Floyd	" No. 43..	5 00
May	1.	To Dues, Bath	" No. 115..	6 00
	3.	To Dues, Jennings-Haynes	" No. 72..	2 60
		To Dues, McElhaney	" No. 64..	5 40
	17.	To Dues, Stuart-Hairston	" No. 47..	5 00
June	22.	To Dues, P. G. Breckinridge	1905-06 No. 112..	2 10
	26.	To Dues, E. J. Perkins	1906-07 No. 49..	3 40
July	5.	To Dues, Wright-Latane	" No. 16..	9 54
		To Dues, Ewell	" No. 9..	9 00
Aug.	5.	To Dues, Geo. E. Pickett	" No. 1..	34 00
	10.	To Dues, R. E. Lee	" No. 110..	2 00
	14.	To Dues, John A. Mosby	" No. 70..	2 50
		To Dues, Brunswick Co.	1905-06 No. 117..	1 20
		To Dues, Ashby	1906-07 No. 8..	7 50
		To Dues, Garland-Rhodes	" No. 123..	7 50
	16.	To Dues, Jefferson Co.	" No. 119..	12 50
		To Dues, Harry Heth	" No. 80..	8 50
		To Dues, Pridemore		



Aug.	27.	To Dues, Clinton-Hatcher.....	"	No. 7..	\$10 00
		To Dues, Blue Ridge.....	"	No. 74..	2 40
	28.	To Dues, G. C. Wharto.....	"	No. 28..	6 00
	30.	To Dues, R. E. Lee.....	"	No. 10..	6 88
		To Dues, J. E. B. Stuart.....	"	No. 24..	3 00
Sept.	4.	To Dues, Lawson-Ball.....	"	No. 52..	3 00
	6.	To Dues, Gross-Gribsby.....	"	No. 93..	10 00
	9.	To Dues, Stonewall Jackson.....	"	No. 25..	4 00
	7.	To Dues, Stonewall.....	"	No. 4..	15 00
	9.	To Dues, Jno. W. Rowan.....	"	No. 31..	5 00
	10.	To Dues, Turner-Ashby.....	"	No. 22..	8 30
		To Dues, Rosser-Gibbons.....	"	No. 89..	2 10
	11.	To Dues, J. B. Evans.....	"	No. 45..	2 00
	13.	To Dues, Magruder.....	"	No. 36..	5 00
	16.	To Dues, P. G. Breckinridge.....	"	No. 47..	2 00
		To Dues, R. E. Lee, No. 4.....	"	No. 108..	1 90
	21.	To Dues, Marr.....	"	No. 73..	2 50
		To Dues, Wm. Watts.....	"	No. 13..	10 00
		To Dues, Halifax County.....	"	No. 124..	15 70
		To Dues, J. A. Early.....	"	No. 21..	12 00
		To Dues, Hugh McGuire.....	"	No. 86..	5 00
	25.	To Dues, Joe Kendall.....	"	No. 91..	10 00
		To Dues, W. B. Newton.....	"	No. 51..	3 50
	26.	To Dues, Clintwood.....	"	No. 102..	3 50
Oct.	4.	To Dues, Highland.....	"	No. 37..	4 50
		To Dues, Westmoreland-Hague.....	"	No. 58..	2 60
		To Dues, A. P. Hill, No. 2.....	"	No. 15..	3 90
	5.	To Dues, Neff-Rice.....	"	No. 105..	4 50
	7.	To Dues, Princess Anne.....	"	No. 96..	3 50
		To Dues, Jos. E. Johnston No. 2.....	"	No. 59..	4 00
		To Dues, S. B. Gibbons.....	"	No. 90..	6 50
	10.	To Dues, Callcote-Wren.....	"	No. 17..	2 00
		To Dues, Huff-Deyerle.....	"	No. 69..	4 00
		To Dues, McElhaney.....	"	No. 72..	3 45
	11.	To Dues, Lane-Diggs.....	1905-06	No. 39..	6 00
	18.	To Dues, W. B. Woolridge.....	1906-07	No. 97..	6 50
		To Dues, Pickett-Stuart.....	"	No. 53..	7 00
		To Dues, Kemper-Strother-Fry.....	"	No. 48..	4 30
		To Dues, Jno. T. Powell.....	"	No. 87..	5 50
		To Dues, Ashby.....	"	No. 117..	2 40
		To Dues, Lee-Jackson.....	"	No. 32..	7 50
		To Dues, Jno. Bowie-Strange.....	"	No. 14..	6 00
		To Dues, W. S. Grimes.....	"	No. 35..	4 00
		To Dues, Meyer-Riddleberger.....	"	No. 60..	4 50
		To Dues, A. P. Hill, No. 1.....	"	No. 6..	24 30
	21.	To Dues, Alleghany Roughs.....	"	No. 118..	10 00

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## Disbursements.

1906			
Nov.	1.	Expenses Adj.-Genl. Bidgood at Roanoke, as per voucher.....	\$ 22 50
Dec.	11.	To Cash, Baughman Stationery Co., for printing.....	32 27
1907			
Jan.	7.	To Cash, to date for stamps for Inspector-Gen. T. C. Morton.....	3 00
Feb.	16.	To Cash, Staunton Spectator for printing.....	5 00
Mar.	7.	To Cash, E. Wadley Company, printing proceedings.....	166 66
May	17.	To Cash, Gen. W. E. Mickle, dues and badges.....	18 75
July	25.	To Cash, stamps for Inspector General T. C. Morton.....	2 00
Aug.	25.	To Cash, Baughman Stationery Company for printing.....	33 03
		To Cash, stamps for W. H. Stuart.....	5 00
Oct.	18.	To Cash, paid Adj. Gen. Bidgood, annual salary.....	150 00
		To Cash, as per voucher from Adj. General.....	10 00
	21.	To Cash, Quartermaster Gen., Office, incidental expenses as per voucher.....	26 75
			<u>\$474 96</u>
		Total on hand.....	\$391 68
		Adj.-Gen. J. V. Bidgood, sale of proceedings Grand Camp.....	\$30 00
		One year's interest on \$200 00.....	8 00
			<u>38 00</u>
		Balance.....	<u>\$429 68</u>
Oct.	23.	To amount brought forward.....	\$429 68
		Years	
		1906-07	
		No. 54..	\$ 8 00
		To Dues, Fluvanna.....	" No. 55.. 5 00
		To Dues, Wm. Ivy.....	" No. 85.. 2 00
		To Dues, Shenandoah.....	" No. 5.. 10 00
		To Dues, R. E. Lee.....	" No. 20.. 6 50
		To Dues, Stover.....	" No. 26.. 7 50
		To Dues, L. A. Armstead.....	" No. 33.. 2 60
		To Dues, James F. Preston.....	" No. 30.. 1 50
		To Dues, Niemeyer-Shaw.....	" No. 23.. 2 50
		To Dues, McFenton-Ewell.....	" No. 34.. 2 50
		To Dues, H. A. Carrington.....	<u>48 10</u>
		To balance on hand.....	<u>\$477 78</u>
		Amount of Dues collected during the year.....	\$599 99

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. BROWN, Jr.

Quartermaster General Grand Camp of Va., 1906-07.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

1907

Oct. 30, To Dues, Maury .....	No. 2..	\$ 5 00
To Dues, Urquhart-Gillette .....	No. 11..	4 40
To Dues, H. A. Wise and W. H. F. Lee.....	No. 38..	5 00
Dec. 9, To Dues, Thornton-Pickett.....	No. 19..	4 00
To Dues, Brown-Harman.....	No. 56..	4 00
11, To Dues, Henry Gantt.....	No. 75..	3 40

\$25 80

## Report of the Inspector-General.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR-GENERAL.

GRAND CAMP OF VIRGINIA VETERANS,

PETERSBURG, VA., Oct. 21, 1907.

*Gen. Wm. H. Stewart, Commanding Grand Camp Confederate Veterans, Department of Virginia.*

GENERAL:—I cannot submit my official Report for 1907, without referring with sorrow to my illustrious predecessor, Colonel Thos. C. Morton, whose death created a vacancy in the office which he had filled so well. His devotion to your organization and the cause which it represents, was known of all men. His zeal in developing the possibilities of his position, renders his example worthy of close imitation. His efficiency in the discharge of duty brought his office up to such a standard that it was neither to be sought nor declined by any good soldier. While mourning his loss, we would remember his parting injunction to "close up the ranks and dress on the colours."

And now with this brief tribute to my fellow officer and a most profound acknowledgment of the honor conferred by your selection of his successor, I beg to hand you my Report.

The Inspection Reports of Sixty Camps in the Grand Camp, which are herewith submitted, show totals as follows:—

Veterans who have joined the Organization.....	8676
Lost by death.....	2227
	6443
Lost by retirement.....	1949
Present membership.....	4497

New members added this year.....	446
Lost by death this year.....	194

Gain this year..... 252

The Camps are reported as being in a healthy condition with few exceptions, and they seem to be sufficiently supplied with funds to meet the very small demands made upon them for the Relief of Comrades. The Confederate Soldier never was and never will be a beggar.

The infrequency and irregularity of meeting noted in some Camps is not to be commended, and a little more attention on the part of some of the officers in this matter cannot fail to be beneficial both to them and their camps. No office is an empty honor. It carries with it duties and responsibilities which must be discharged and met. Otherwise the office might as well be abolished.

And this leads me to call attention, General, to the fact that notwithstanding assiduous efforts on the part of my District Inspectors, the Inspection sheets from more than half the Camps on the Roster have not been returned. I know that in some cases this is caused by death or removal; but in more cases it is a pure oversight. My Assistant Inspectors complain that they have to make frequent and repeated efforts to secure reports that any Adjutant in the State can make out in a few minutes. This is not right, and I would respectfully suggest that the Grand Camp require the Inspector General to report by name the Camps that fail to make their returns promptly when called upon to do so by proper officers. This would appeal to the laudable pride of the Confederate soldier, an appeal which history shows has never been made in vain.

I would call your special attention to the reports of Maj. J. Ogden Murray of the 7th District, and of Captain J. E. Moyler of the 4th District, the one showing that its author still breathes the spirit of the "Immortal Six Hundred" of which he was so conspicuous a part, and the other showing its author with his gaze turned towards the eternal Camping Ground to which he prays that his comrades may all have the only countersign.

Respectfully submitted,

CARTER R. BISHOP,

*Inspector General.*



Capt. J. Taylor Stratton, offered the following resolution to-wit:

That the Finance Committee be directed to confer with the Committee on the Lee Papers and make such arrangements as they may deem necessary to enable the said Committee on the Lee Papers to publish the same.

Said publication to be made under the direction and control of the Committee having in charge the Lee Papers.

The following resolution adopted at the last meeting of the Grand Camp October 26, 1906, offered by T. S. Beckwith, was, on motion of the Chairman, continued until the next meeting of the Grand Camp.

*Whereas*, it is being constantly brought to our attention that the children of the present generation are lamentably ignorant in regard to the principles that actuated their fathers and grandfathers in taking up arms for their States, and also, in the matter of the conduct of the War between the States, there be it

*Resolved*, that a committee of three be appointed by the Grand Commander at his pleasure whose duty it shall be to edit such of the Reports of the History Committee, as they see fit in order to produce a text book, which shall so fortify the reader with truth as to leave no doubt in his mind as to the justness of our Cause, and the honorable and humane manner in which we conducted the struggle; and this same committee shall arrange for the publication of this book, and see that it be included in the course of study in the Public Schools.

COMMITTEE: Chairman, T. S. Beckwith, Petersburg; Capt. C. R. Bishop, Petersburg; Col. Wm. E. Cameron, Norfolk.

The Committee on Finance submitted the following report:

NORFOLK, VA., October 24, 1907.

We the Finance Committee of the Grand Camp, have examined the report of our Quartermaster General, Capt. David A. Brown, Jr., and find it correct and all payments supported by proper vouchers.

Balance on hand October 20, 1906.....	\$350 75
Amount collected during the year as per Capt. Brown's Quartermaster report.....	601 99
Total.....	\$952 74
Less amount expended as per Capt. Brown's Quartermaster report.....	474 96
Balance on hand.....	\$477 78

The Grand Camp is deeply indebted to our Quartermaster General David A. Brown, Jr., for his faithful and efficient services so generously given.

STITH BOLLING,  
JOHN C. EWELL,  
W. A. SMOOT.

Adopted.

## Report of MAJOR R. W. HUNTER, Secretary of Virginia Military Records.

*To the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia:*

In my former reports I have explained the agencies, which were employed and the results which had been accomplished up to their respective dates, in the execution of the Acts of the General Assembly of March 7, 1904, and February 20, 1906, creating and continuing the office of Secretary of Virginia Military Records.

The former of these Acts, it will be remembered, provided "for the collection of all muster rolls, records and other materials, showing the names, number and character of the officers and soldiers furnished by Virginia to the Army and Navy of the Confederate States of America."

These rolls and records, as fast as they were collected, were transmitted to the War Department to be copied and used in the compilation of the "Roster of the officers and enlisted men of the Union and Confederate Armies, as provided by the Act of Congress of February 25, 1903.

The War Department construed the legislation, directing the compilation of this roster as restricting it to the use of original records made during the war period, and as precluding the use of printed or manuscript copies of rolls made subsequently.

### LOSS OF ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S RECORDS.

Greater difficulty has been encountered in collecting our Virginia rolls and records than any other Southern State has had to contend with, in consequence of the loss of the records which were in the custody of General Richardson, the Adjutant-General of the State, whose office was destroyed in the disastrous conflagration on the night of the evacuation of Richmond.

Every effort in my power has been made to secure all the contemporaneous official records of the war period, giving the names of Virginia soldiers, which escaped destruction, and I believe, there are few, if any original muster-rolls within the limits of the State, which have not been collected and transmitted to

the War Department for its use in the preparation of the roster, as provided for by Congress.

This part of the work of my office may, therefore, be regarded as finished.

#### AN APPROXIMATELY COMPLETE STATE ROSTER.

While, for the reasons heretofore stated, the Virginia part of the War Department Roster will necessarily be incomplete, it will, when published, be of incalculable value as an authentic official nucleus for a State Roster, which can be made approximately complete by the addition of printed and manuscript rolls made since the war.

These latter rolls, while not official in the sense required by the War Department, have been carefully prepared by competent survivors of the various companies and are reliable as far as they go. Many of these secondary rolls have already been secured, others are in course of preparation and when it becomes known by the publication of the War Department Roster, what Virginia rolls are missing—in cases where their places cannot be supplied by the secondary rolls now in the files of my office—it is believed that earnest efforts made in the counties and other localities where the companies were recruited, will result in securing the names of most, if not all, of the officers and men belonging to them.

#### MAP OF BATTLE FIELDS AND INDEX.

The act (February 26, 1906) further directs that the secretary "shall make a list and report of all battles, combats and actions, which took place in Virginia during the Civil War, and annotate upon a Map of Virginia, which shall show the counties in which they were fought." This "Battle Fields map," has been completed, and is here for your inspection. The number of these engagements, which embrace all the armed collisions of the hostile forces on Virginia soil, deemed of sufficient importance for a place in the "Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies," aggregate 1,404 to wit; 1,064 in what is now Virginia, and, 340 in what is now West Virginia.

Accompanying this map is a key or index, which gives a list of the counties, with references to the engagements fought within

their limits, the dates on which they occurred, and the Volumes of the Official Records in which they are reported.

As was stated in my last report, while this "Battle Fields map," by reason of its limited scale, and its unavoidable lack of topographical and other features essential to the study of particular fields, is intended rather for general than professional students of military affairs, it will be of great interest and value, presenting as it does, at a single glance, a theatre of conflict, as crowded with brilliant achievements and heroic exploit, and as deeply dyed with patriot blood, as any similar area of the earth's surface, whereon great armies have contended. It is proper to add in this connection that the work upon this map and reference index, has been done chiefly by Captain R. T. Daniel, my assistant.

#### NEGLECT OF COUNTIES TO RECORD NAMES OF THEIR SOLDIERS.

Another section of the act directs, that the secretary shall ascertain and report what counties, cities and towns have caused the rolls of their soldiers in the Confederate Service to be put on record in their respective clerk's offices, and "where this has not been done, shall encourage its accomplishment."

Earnest efforts have been made to have this important work done in all of the counties, in order that the names of the gallant men who responded so promptly and patriotically to the State's call to arms, and the memory of their honorable service, may be preserved in permanent form among their local records.

Unquestionably there is no record that any county has ever made, or can make, which will add so greatly to its prestige, which will be of such historic interest, and which will be so highly prized and so eagerly scanned by future generations, as the record of the soldiers, who followed Lee and marched under the banner of the Southern Cross, in our great struggle for our inherited constitutional rights.

I am amazed at the indifference, which has been shown in many counties in this important matter.

Circulars giving extracts from the law (Act of February 9, 1898) and pointing out the mode of procedure have been sent repeatedly to the local camps, to the clerks of the counties, to the newspapers, and to comrades throughout the State, urging prompt action, and tendering all the assistance in my power. These circulars have been supplemented by earnest appeals from Past



Grand Commanders Christian, Harwood and Fulton; and during the past year I have addressed personal communications to the Judges of the State, asking their co-operation, and for reports from the clerks of the counties in their circuits, showing to what extent, if it all, the law had been complied with. Many counties have recorded the rolls of their soldiers, and others are now engaged in getting together their rolls for record; but so far the results have not been as satisfactory as was hoped for, and expected. Quite a number of counties, whose soldiers did splendid service have made no record of them at all, and, so far as I have heard, are making no efforts in that direction. The failure has not been with the legislature, nor with the communities or clerks, but with our comrades themselves and the local camps.

#### SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS HELP.

Most of the surviving veterans have passed the three-score mark, and it is sadly true that age has somewhat dimmed their eyes, impaired their memories, and sapped their strength; but, I am sure, there is still enough of life and power of initiative left among them, with the aid of the sons of veterans and the daughters of the Confederacy—which will, without doubt, be cheerfully extended—to do this great service, for their own sakes, for the sake of their descendants and comrades—many of whom are now dead and unrecorded—and for the everlasting credit of their counties.

In counties where all the rolls of their soldiers can not be collected, I urge that such rolls as can be gotten, be recorded at once, and, where possible, be published in the local newspapers. This will stimulate search for the missing rolls, and where these cannot be found, will induce survivors of the companies to make up their rolls from memory.

If half a dozen, or even a less number of survivors of any company, will put their heads together, and patiently and perseveringly keep at work, in nine cases out of ten, they can recall the names of their comrades and make up an approximately complete roster.

#### PAST GRAND COMMANDER FULTON'S APPEAL.

In this connection, I ask the earnest attention of comrades to an extract from the report of our beloved Past Grand Commander Fulton, who has gone to his honored grave since our last annual meeting at Roanoke, and now rests from his labors. His words

come to us with the impressive solemnity of a voice from the dead, and it is sincerely hoped that we, his comrades, still living, will heed and give effect to them, by renewing and redoubling our efforts towards the accomplishment of an object he had so deeply at heart.

Referring to the neglect of so many of the counties to have their rolls recorded as provided by the Act of February 9, 1898, Grand Commander Fulton said:

"Now, strange as it may appear, the importance of these Acts are not realized by our soldiers, and to obtain proper and accurate records is hedged with great difficulties. In their procurement, individuals are listless and slow to act. Unless, therefore, we as a camp redouble our energies in an effort to rescue from oblivion these muster rolls, we will leave undone an important part of the object of our organization, viz.: perpetuation of the memories of our fallen comrades. We and others have done much towards the erection of monuments.

I am informed that throughout the State there have already been erected as many as eighty or one hundred monuments that dot the ground in nearly every county of the State. But unless we procure those muster rolls, our duty is not well performed, especially to private soldiers whose valiant conduct in war gave to their respective generals their immortal names. *For these, the private soldiers, the only monument that will reach posterity, will be the recordation of their names, upon that immortal roll of the Southern Army.* I, therefore, urge upon the camp, as well as all soldiers, the great importance of a faithful and diligent execution of these Acts of our Legislature; for if they are continued to be disregarded, neither our history will be properly written nor the memories of our fallen comrades properly perpetuated."

#### MONUMENTS AND MUSTER ROLLS.

We all rejoice in the patriotic spirit which has led to the erection of so many monuments throughout the State, for they are monuments, not only to the men of the counties, who did their duty in the days that tried men's souls, but also to the noble women through whose effort, chiefly, they were erected. As was asked in my last report, what can be more impressive to the rising generations, and conducive to true patriotism, the love of home and native land than these memorial shafts, which rise upon our

Court-Greens in purity and stillness above the din and smoke of our modern materialistic life, in honor of the valiant men of the counties, who fought and fell for county and for truth under the banner of the Southern Cross?

But as Grand Commander Fulton truly said; "the only monument to the private soldiers, which will reach posterity will be the recordation of their names upon that immortal roll of the Southern Army."

Marble, granite and bronze can, at best, tell but half the splendid story. They must be supplemented by the names of the men whose deeds they commemorate, in order that their sons and daughters and kinfolk, to the remotest posterity, may feel the pride, and incentive to high deeds, which comes with descent from ancestors, who were heroes and martyrs in their day and generation.

We beg pardon for pressing into service, in this connection, the noble Roman matron ever dear to the sophomore heart, who has come down to us through the centuries, because of her famous answer when asked for her "jewels," by indulging the hope, that Virginia, like her, will go down the ages pointing to the Muster Rolls of her soldiers, as among her proudest possessions.

#### CAUSE OF DELAY.

The rule of the War Department "not to permit any person, other than an employee of the department to have access to the official records," has greatly retarded my labors. If my request, made in my official capacity, to be allowed to make a check list of the Virginia rolls on file in the department had been granted, I could have prosecuted my work with a definiteness and concentration of aim which would have secured much larger results. But, not knowing which of our rolls were on file, and which were missing, I have had to cover the whole field, to "fire into the flock," and "shell the woods" so to speak.

It is but fair to the War Department, however, to give its reasons for this rigid rule, which, it must be admitted, are very sound, from its standpoint. As summarized by Major-General Ainsworth in his annual report for 1906, they are:

1. Many of the records have become so dilapidated through age and years of handling, that it is not safe to subject them to further handling.

2. A document misplaced is almost as hopelessly lost, as if it were wilfully abstracted from the files. It is unsafe therefore, to permit any one to have access to the records who is not trained in their use and legally subject to the control of the department.

3. Because of the restricted space available it has been necessary to file the records in such a way that only those who have been especially trained in their use, can find any particular record or class of records. The constant aid and attendance of an employee of the department would be necessary to enable anyone unfamiliar with the files to make a successful search of them, whose services would be lost to the department and the current work correspondingly interfered with.

#### MATERIALS FOR STATE ROSTERS.

As the Secretary of War viewed the law "It was the intent of Congress to publish and thus make accessible to the various States, and to all persons interested all the historical data that are contained in the original rolls and other similar records of the War Period that are in possession of the War Department or that can be found elsewhere." adding that "the information thus placed at the disposal of the State will enable them, if they so desire, to compile *their own Rosters*, in their own way, using as a source of additional information any other data that may seem to them sufficiently reliable to be incorporated *in their Rosters*."

#### THE WAR DEPARTMENT ROSTER.

It appears from the last report of Adjutant-General Ainsworth, that the part of the Roster relating to the Union troops is virtually completed and ready for publication. None of their records were lost.

The Confederate part of the Roster is still incomplete. The records from Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana and Mississippi have been compiled, and a considerable progress made in compiling the records of Confederate prisoners of war. During the last fiscal year, General Ainsworth reports, that 159 rolls of Virginia organizations, ten from Georgia and a few rolls from other Southern States have been received, copied and returned.

As heretofore stated, all the original Virginia rolls, that are accessible, have been collected; and this, I think, is true of the rolls of all Southern States; and we are now anxiously awaiting the publication of the War Department Roster.



Until this publication is made the Virginia Roster cannot be compiled in consecutive order and in proper form, and this is so, doubtless, of all the Southern States.

Congress has ordered the compilation of the Rosters of both armies. That of the Union troops is complete and that of the Confederate troops is as complete as it can be made. What is needed now is the publication of the War Department compilation at the earliest possible date.

This, it is hoped, will be done at the present session of Congress. It will facilitate my work, and that of the agents of the other Southern States, similarly engaged; and, to this end, I give notice of a resolution, requesting our Southern Senators and Representatives in Congress to take such steps as will secure the publication of the War Department Roster at the earliest possible date; and for the reasons set forth in said resolution, to provide that the Confederate part thereof be first published.

Every day's delay adds to the difficulties. Fire, mold, insects, vermin, with the ravages of time, are effacing our written records, and death, in its relentless march, is daily removing the survivors of the War, whose information may be needed to supply deficiencies in the records.

#### PROGRESS OF THE WORK.

It may appear to those who have not considered the magnitude of the task, and the difficulties in the way of its execution, that the progress of the work has been discouragingly slow; but when the Rosters and records, which have been collected, are reported, as they will be, in detail and tabulated form, to the Legislature, I am sure the responsibility for the delay will not be laid at the door of my office.

The original and secondary (unofficial) rolls which have been collected, embrace the names of between ninety and one hundred thousand Virginia soldiers; the secondary rolls to be used in supplying the places of missing originals.

When the War Department Roster is published, proof-sheets of the rolls of the companies from the respective counties will be gotten, and the most practicable means adopted to have missing names supplied.

#### SHORT HISTORIES.

In addition to collecting the rolls the law directs that the secretary "shall prepare a short history, showing the organization of every regiment, battalion, company, or other organization that was in the military, naval or marine service of Virginia, or was contributed by Virginia to the military, marine or naval service of the Confederate States, whether regulars, volunteers, conscripts, home guards or local troops, militia or reserves; and stating, as far as practicable, the service rendered and the battles, combats or skirmishes in which they were engaged."

Inasmuch as nearly the entire able bodied population of Virginia, of military age, was upon a war-footing of some sort, during the years 1861-1865, this work is not unlike the taking of a census of Virginia for that period, and it is hardly necessary to state to the Grand Camp that the clerical aid and other facilities, as now provided by law, for work of such wide and varied scope, are entirely inadequate.

#### PURPOSE OF THE LEGISLATURE.

Fortunately, the revenues of the State are ample to do justice to her sons, who went forth to battle at her bidding, and "made a record of which we are proud and which the State desires to preserve with their names and their histories." This was the purpose of the Legislature in its act, establishing the office of "Secretary of Virginia Military Records," and we have no doubt the Legislature, shortly to convene, will make good the declarations of its predecessors. Surely, it can make no appropriation for a worthier object, nor one which will be more heartily approved by the people of the State.

The preparation of these "short histories," is no light matter. It requires careful search through the State archives of the War period, and also through the 130 volumes of the "Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies," The Confederate Military History, The Southern Historical Society Papers, and such contemporaneous publications as escaped the conflagration, when Richmond was evacuated.

#### VIRGINIA'S INDEPENDENT ACTION.

Virginia's attitude, as you are aware, was different from that of other Southern States. She had made every effort, consistent

with her honor, to prevent the armed conflict of the sections, but upon President Lincoln's proclamation of war, her Convention promptly passed the ordinance of Secession and provided at once for the creation of an Army. The Governor was empowered to call into the service of the State, "as many volunteers as might be necessary to repel invasion, and to invite all efficient and worthy Virginians in the army and navy of the United States to retire therefrom and to enter the service of Virginia, assigning to them such rank as would not reverse the relative rank held by them in the United States Service, and would at least be equivalent thereto."

Col. R. E. Lee was appointed commander of the military and naval forces of the State, with the rank of Major-General, to take charge of the organization and operations of all the military and naval forces called into her service.

Col. R. S. Garnett, then holding a commission as Adjutant-General of State forces, of whom Col. Walter H. Taylor speaks as "the best informed and most capable man in military detail that he ever met, was General Lee's right hand man in organizing and marshaling the troops that were to constitute the army of Virginia." The response to the Governor's call for volunteers was prompt and general, except in the extreme north-western section. The "Provisional Army for the State of Virginia" was organized. The "Navy of Virginia" was established, to consist of two thousand seamen and mariners, and provision was also made for the organization of staff departments, for the military forces of the State. Thus it will be seen that the organization of the Army of Virginia, was complete before the State formally joined the Southern Confederacy, and before its troops were merged, by formal transfer, into the Provisional Army of the Confederate States.

This independent attitude of the State, adds to the difficulty of the classification of its forces, because of the number and varied character of the earlier organizations, and the meagre records that are left of many of them.

#### NUCLEUS OF THE VIRGINIA ARMY.

Adjutant-General Richardson reported to Governor Letcher, on the 17th day of April, 1861, the very day the State passed its ordinance of Secession, that the total volunteer force of the State,

rank and file, amounted to only 18,300 of whom 6,150 were un-armed.

The expansion of this small nucleus into a grand array of sixty-four regiments and forty battalions of infantry, twenty regiments and forty battalions of cavalry, and one hundred and twenty five batteries of artillery, besides the engineers, the staff, the navy and marines, the militia of two classes, the local defence troops and reserves, it will be conceded, was "an outburst of ability and force" exceeding even that of the Revolutionary period of our history.

Its claim to this recognition in the world's history depends only upon the capacity of the chronicler fairly to present it.

The reorganizations of the army in 1862, rendered necessary by the expiration of the original enlistments, add to the complications, and call for much care and labor.

I refer to these matters, not to enlighten you, my comrades, because you well understand them, but to inform the younger generation, many of whom, perhaps, have no adequate conception of the magnitude of the task or the means necessary to its proper performance.

#### SHALL THE GOOD WORK BE COMPLETED?

There is another matter of prime importance, which calls for the action of the Grand Camp, at this meeting.

The Act of February 20, 1906, provides that "upon the assembling of the General Assembly to be elected in 1907, the office of Military Records shall cease to be in force, unless it shall be otherwise provided by the General Assembly. In view of this provision it is incumbent upon this Grand Camp to give expression to its wish as to the continuance of the office. And I desire that this shall be done, without special regard to myself, as its temporary occupant.

It is of far greater importance that this great work of justice to our dead and living comrades shall be carried on until the *Virginia Roster* is complete, than any question as to the person who is to have charge of it.

And in order that this personal equation may be eliminated, I will ask the Grand Camp to appoint a committee of twelve of its members, five of whom shall be from the City of Richmond, to examine the office of Military Records, ascertain what progress



has been made, what remains to be done, and to make such suggestions as will aid the General Assembly in determining the proper action in the premises.

In conclusion, Grand Commander and Comrades, let me thank you most cordially for the aid you have given to the work in my charge, and ask that it may be continued, even more efficiently, during the few years that remain to us.

Whatever the future may have in store, it will ever be to me a source of infinite satisfaction, that through the agency of my office, muster rolls (original and secondary) embracing the names of at nearly one hundred thousand Virginia soldiers have been collected, which would, in a few short years probably have been lost forever, but for their timely rescue.

R. W. HUNTER,  
*Secretary Virginia Military Records.*

#### *To the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia:*

The Committee appointed to draft resolutions on the death of Past Grand Commander, Judge John H. Fulton, submitted the following report:

The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia, in annual meeting assembled at Norfolk, deem it a privilege to place on record this memorial of their appreciation of the worth and services of their late comrade and Grand Commander, Judge John H. Fulton, whose death has occurred since our last meeting at Roanoke, Virginia, over which he presided.

*Therefore, be it resolved:* 1. That in the death of Judge John H. Fulton, the Camp and State have lost a comrade and citizen, whose devotion and daring in war was only excelled by his fidelity, usefulness and patriotism in times of peace; that at all times and in all positions, he measured up to the full demands of every call of his State and country, and was in every way worthy of the high positions he filled both in this Camp and in the State.

*Resolved:* 2. That Judge Fulton's administration of the office of Grand Commander of this Camp was not only eminently satisfactory, but of that high order of command and comradeship which, whilst reflecting credit on the organization, at the same time greatly endeared him to all with whom he came in contact; and he fully exemplified the couplet, that

"The bravest are the tenderest;  
The loving are the daring."

*Resolved:* 3. That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy furnished to the widow of Judge Fulton, with the assurances of our deepest sympathy in her, and our common bereavement.

GEO. L. CHRISTIAN,  
W. A. SMOOT,  
THOMAS W. SMITH,  
*Committee.*

Rev. J. William Jones, D. D., offered the following resolutions:

*Whereas*, the Congress of the United States, by its Act of February 25, 1903, authorized and required the Chief of the Record and Pension Office (now the Military Secretary of the army) "to compile, under the direction of the Secretary of War, from such records as are in possession of the United States, and from such other authentic records as may be obtained by loan from the various states and other official sources, a complete roster of the officers and enlisted men of the Union and Confederate Armies," and

*Whereas*, "the comparative completeness of the rolls and records of the Union army in the custody of the War Department, leaves relatively but little work to be done in connection with the compilation of the part of the roster relating to the Union troops," while the incompleteness of the collection of Confederate records of military service in the possession of the Department, leaves much to be done by the Southern states, in order to secure complete rosters of their troops.

*Be it resolved*, that the senators and members of the House of Representatives from the Southern states be requested to use their best efforts to induce Congress to provide for the publication of the War Department compilation of rosters at the earliest time practicable, and, for the reasons above set forth, that the Confederate part of said roster, be first published.

Adopted.

Comrade J. N. Stubbs, offered the following resolution:

*Whereas*, the Pension Laws of Virginia are so cumbrous and so technical, that it is difficult frequently, for a worthy and deserving veteran and a needy widow to succeed in receiving pensions; and whereas it is desirable that the applicant for a pension should have as little trouble as possible; and whereas The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia wish that all barriers be removed; now therefore be it resolved by The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia, now in session in Norfolk, Va.:

FIRST. That we respectfully petition the Legislature of Virginia to revise and amend the Pension Laws of Virginia, so that the procedure of obtaining a pension shall be plain and as far as possible do away with so much form, so many certificates and affidavits as now exist and prevent many worthy veterans and needy widows from receiving pensions.

SECOND. Strike out of the Pension Laws that clause, prohibiting widows, married since May, 1866, from receiving pensions and let all needy widows be put on the same footing.

THIRD. As Virginia at the last Legislature, gave two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to the Exposition and two hundred thousand dollars to rebuild our Capitol building, and did this without increasing the rate of taxation, and as the same demands will not be made at the next session of the Legislature, it is believed that pensions can be greatly increased, without increasing rate of taxation, and, The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans respectfully petition the Legislature to increase the pensions as much as can be done without increasing the rate of taxation.

FOURTH. That a committee of five be appointed to present these resolutions to the next Legislature and urge action on same.

The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia, recommend that each local camp of Confederate Veterans in city or county, consider the propriety of asking the Legislature to give authority to the council of the city and board of supervisors of the county, to make an annual levy, to be used for the worthy veterans and needy widows under the directions of the local authorities.

J. N. STUBBS.

Referred to the Committee on Legislation, Wm. Kean, Chairman.

Major R. W. Hunter, offered the following resolution to-wit:

*Resolved*, That a special committee of ten be appointed by the Grand Commander, to be chosen from the local camps, five of whom shall be from the city of Richmond, whose duty it shall be to examine the records of the office of the Secretary of Virginia Military Records, to inquire as to the work already done, to consider what remains to be done, and to make such suggestions as the Committee may deem wise and practicable, to the end that the necessary legislation may be enacted as will fully carry out the intent of the Legislature, as set forth in the Act of February 20, 1906.

Adopted.

COMMITTEE: Major John W. Daniel, Col. Thomas Smith of Warrenton, Capt. Samuel Griffin of Bedford, Major R. R. Henry of Tazewell, Capt. R. C. Marshall of Portsmouth, Judge Geo. L. Christian, Rev. Jas. Power Smith, D. D., Dr. C. W. P. Brock, Col. Miles Cary, Col. W. E. Cutshaw, Col. Archer Anderson, Gen. Eppa Hunton, Richmond.

On motion of Col. John C. Ewell, speeches were confined to ten minutes.

The following resolution, introduced by General L. L. Lomax, was unanimously adopted.

The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia, profoundly impressed by the duty of preserving and honoring the memory of their comrades who fought at Gettysburg,

*Resolved*, that the General Assembly of Virginia be earnestly requested to make an appropriation of money for the purpose of erecting on the battlefield of Gettysburg a suitable monument to commemorate the faithful service and heroic valor of the Virginia troops of the Army of Northern Virginia, in the battles of July 1st, 2d, and 3d, 1863, at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania; and be it further

*Resolved*, that a special committee of three members of this Grand Camp be appointed by the Grand Commander to present these resolutions to the General Assembly of Virginia at its next session.

COMMITTEE: Gen. Eppa Hunton, Hon. Jos. Bryan, Hon. John W. Daniel.

Comrade J. Edward Moyler offered the following resolution:

*Be it resolved* by the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans in Convention assembled, that the adjutants of all camps, members of this organization, shall be permanent delegates to the Convention meetings of the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans of State of Virginia with all powers of such delegates. But nothing in this resolution is to be construed as to increasing the delegates to which camps may be entitled by the constitution and by laws of the Grand Camp.

Adopted.

Comrade C. C. Wertenbaker, submitted the following resolution to-wit:

*Whereas*, There has never been an official recognition by this Grand Camp of the highly prized "Crosses of Honor" which have been presented to hundreds of our comrades by the various Chapters of the "United Daughters of the Confederacy" in our State.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Grand Camp be, and hereby are, tendered to the Daughters for the high honor they have put upon us by conferring this splendid decoration, and,

*Resolved*, That we will give the military salute, to the cross, in honor of the Daughters, whenever it is seen on the breast of a Confederate Veteran.

C. C. WERTENBAKER.

Adopted.

On motion the Grand Camp proceeded to the election of officers for the year 1907-08.

The following officers were unanimously elected, the Adjutant-General, by order of the Grand Camp, casting the vote for each officer:

GEN. THOMAS T. MUNFORD, *Grand Commander*, Lynchburg, Va.  
COL. S. S. BROOK, *First Lieut. Commander*, . . . Roanoke, Va.  
COL. JNO. C. EWELL, *Second Lieut. Commander*, Bertrand, Va.  
COL. WM. C. WHITTLE, *Third Lieut. Commander*, Norfolk, Va.



CAPT. CARTER R. BISHOP, *Inspector-General*, Petersburg, Va.  
MAJ. DAVID A. BROWN, JR., *Quartermaster-General*, Richmond, Va.

REV. JOHN P. HYDE, *Chaplain-General* . . . Winchester, Va.  
DR. HERBERT M. NASH, *Surgeon-General* . . . Norfolk, Va.

#### NEXT PLACE OF MEETING.

Gen. Stith Bolling moved that the Grand Commander, the three Lieutenant Grand Commanders and the Quartermaster-General be authorized to select the next place of meeting, and the same be announced in General Orders.

Adopted.

Comrade Jno. C. Ewell moved that Article XII, "Order of Business," be amended so as to read:

1. Opening with prayer.
2. Officers Roll Call, "and also call of the names of Standing Committees."
3. Report of Grand Commander.
4. Report of other officers.
5. Report of Standing Committees.
6. Report of Special Committees.
7. Communications, memorials, etc.
8. Unfinished business.
9. Election of officers.
10. Place of next meeting.
11. New business.
12. Good of the Grand Camp.
13. Adjournment.

On motion of the Grand Camp adjourned to meet Friday, Oct. 25, in the auditorium in the Jamestown Exposition.

#### Friday, October 25th.

At 9 o'clock A. M. the Grand Camp, and Camps took the steamer Rosedale and proceeded to the Jamestown Exposition. On arriving at the Deepwater Pier, the Veterans disembarked, formed column, marched to the Parade Ground and passed in review in the following order:

Grand Marshall, Comrade Oliver H. Perry.  
Band, Twenty-third U. S. Infantry.

Twenty-third U. S. Infantry.  
Battery "D" Third U. S. Artillery.  
U. S. Naval Post Band.  
Seventy-first Virginia Infantry.  
Horner Military School.  
Confederate Camps, according to Number.  
Sons of Veterans.

On the Reviewing Stand were Col. William H. Stewart, the retiring Grand Commander of the Virginia Veterans; General T. T. Munford, the new Grand Commander; Col. S. S. Brooke, Col. John C. Ewell, Col. William C. Whittle, Gen. Stith Bolling, Rev. Dr. John P. Hyde, Dr. H. M. Nash, Lieutenant-Governor Ellyson of Virginia, President Tucker of the Exposition Company, Gen. L. L. Lomax, Adjutant-General J. V. Bidgood, Admiral P. F. Harrington, U. S. N. retired, and his aid Capt. Webster, U. S. N., and Col. Walter Taylor of Norfolk.

In the grandstand were thousands. Among them were the Daughters of the Confederacy, the Confederate Choir, the Maids of Honor and their Sponsors occupying boxes in the grandstand, giving a charm to the inspiring scene of gray uniforms, and brilliantly gowned women waving Confederate flags.

After the Parade, the Grand Camp proceeded to the Auditorium, and was called to order by the Grand Commander, William H. Stewart, at 12 o'clock M.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Rev. Dr. J. P. Hyde. There were on the rostrum the Grand Officers, Past Grand Commanders, Hon. H. St. Geo. Tucker, President of the Jamestown Exposition; J. Taylor Ellyson, Lieutenant-Governor of the State; Admiral P. F. Harrington, and his aid Capt. Webster, U. S. N., the Confederate Choir, and others.

President Tucker, in making his address of welcome, struck a keynote when he declared that no more remarkable sight could be pictured in the world's history than that before his eyes—the gathering of the soldiers of the "Lost Cause" to enthusiastically join hand forty years after the war is over.

He extended the old Veterans a hearty welcome, and tendered them the liberty of the grounds. His graciousness was acknowledged by vociferous applause.

Grand Commander Stewart in response to the address of President Tucker, said:

"It has long been the custom of the Confederate Veterans of Virginia to unite once every year for a communion of love.

"This twentieth anniversary of their Grand Camp has fallen in the path of the celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the first permanent white settlement in Virginia; and we thank you, Mr. President, and your associates for giving us the opportunity of beholding this panorama of beauty, unrivalled in the march of ages.

"Nature and art and science have met here to present a marvel of splendor as delightful to the eye as the rising sun from yonder ocean.

"You show us here the little mustard seed which has grown and spread until it has reached the summit of glory in its achievements for human liberty.

#### DAUNTLESS MEN OF PAST.

"You show us the few brave settlers who fought treacherous savages and suffered through 'the starving time' for a new colony on the James; you show us the dauntless men who stood with Nathaniel Bacon, Jr., enacting wholesome laws, breathing the spirit of liberty; you carry us through the days which tried the souls of men and made Washington the Father of his Country; you illustrate the return of a peace after the bloodiest and costliest war of a century between the sections.

"Here let me say that your predecessor and our comrade, Fitzhugh Lee, was one of the strongest arches in the bridge of peace over the bloody chasm of that war; you show us the agriculture, arts, mechanics, mines and manufactories which within two-score years have made our nation the richest and our people the happiest on the face of the globe.

"It is most delightful to welcome these triumphs of peace.

"Let us have peace,' from the lips of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant (cheers), was the beginning of this glorious peace era in the life of this republic.

"It met a grateful response from the heart of every true Confederate soldier, and may I say every good Union soldier; and all good citizens then joined in the work of rebuilding the wrecks

of war; and it gave you the power to make the splendid illustration of its success in this Jamestown Exposition.

#### BATTLE OF SEWELL'S POINT.

"Mr. President: We are not all strangers to this beautiful site, overlooking the King's Chamber' and 'the Mother of Waters.'

"The footprints of war, where some of us stood, are not all washed out from its shores.

"Sewell's Point Battery, now the old landmark, standing yonder by the deep water terminus of the Virginia Railroad, was a barrier against the guns of the invaders' ships in 1861-1862. There the cannon shot from the 'Monticello' buried the first Virginia soldier in Virginia's sands, but he was promptly exhumed, stood to his guns for four years and stands here, a man of peace, to enjoy the pleasures of this hour.

"The battle of Sewell's Point on May 19, 1861, was the first and only battlefield of Virginia, after she had seceded from the Union and before she entered into an alliance with the Confederate States; the battle where neither the State nor the Confederacy had a flag to display, but Georgia, the Empire State of the South, which had sent her 'City Light Guard' to aid Virginia, gave her flag to float in triumph over the unfinished fort.

"The United States ship 'Monticello' made the attack and gallant soldiers of Norfolk and Georgia drove her off. One Virginia cavalryman on picket was wounded on the leg by the fragment of a shell, the first blood shed in battle on the soil of the Old Dominion, in that great war between the South and the North. Here are some of the veterans who witnessed the great marine fight on the 8th and 9th of March, 1862; saw the 'Cumberland' go down with flag flying and guns firing by the bravest of the brave foemen; saw the 'Virginia' whip the 'Monitor'; (cheers) here are some of the gallant crew who stood to the guns on the iron clad 'Virginia,' which revolutionized naval warfare

"Here are soldiers who know 'Stonewall Jackson's way.' (Cheers) Mr. President: Manassas, Sharpsburg, Gettysburg participants are here to thank you for your generous welcome; here are soldiers who went into the Battle of the Wilderness, followed the fortunes of Robert E. Lee (cheers) to Appomattox, never out of range of minnie or cannon shot, all through that wonderful



campaign; there are veterans here who fought at Spotsylvania; one wounded in the leg, was rolled off the field by a comrade in a wheelbarrow. Passing the artillery park, General Pendleton said:

"Lieutenant, what are you doing there?"

"I am passing in review, General," replied the lieutenant. (Laughter.)

"You are evidently not mortally hurt," said the old warrior; and so it was, for he is here today.

"There are men here who charged Malvern Hill; here are men who fought at Cold Harbor, stood in the lines of the memorable siege of Petersburg, and charged on the 'Crater.'

"Some men are here who stacked their arms in surrender at Appomattox, and they will never forget the tender consideration of the commander-in-chief of the Union armies. (Cheers.) As the star of hope went down behind the blackest cloud that ever bedimmed human vision, when a battery commenced to salute their victory, he promptly ordered the gunners to cease firing; and instead of exultation, he offered bread to the hungry captive. (Cheers.)

"They remember how his manhood stood for paroled prisoners when the viciousness of revenge demanded violation of his pledge on that fateful battlefield. I know I can say that every veteran here who surrendered at Appomattox Courthouse remembers with gratitude the graciousness, tenderness and goodness of General Grant to surrendered soldiers; (Cheers.) remembers with the 'gratitude which is the fairest blossom which springs from the soul; and the heart of man knoweth none more fragrant.' I am glad to tell the world how we appreciated the nobleness of General Grant. (Cheers.)

"He was a great captain in battle, but greater in victory: 'Let us have peace' was more fruitful of good to his country, and will be remembered longer than any of his achievements on the battlefield.

"The highest plane upon which a Confederate Veteran can stand is that which melts the hearts of estranged heroes to love one another.

"Our incomparable Robert E. Lee (cheers.) outmatched the heroes of the world in his graces of manhood under the cloud of defeat, and he is our standard of virtue and honor. (Cheers.)

He said, 'all should unite in honest effort to obliterate the effects of war and restore the blessings of peace.' By his counsel we have stood and we now declare to the world that we love our reunited country, as Lee and Grant would have us. (Cheers.) As we go down with the ebb tide of life we will be servants for the happiness of all the people during the remaining days given to us by God's favor. O comrades! Our love for one another and our love for our countrymen at large, teach us that greater love, which is the life-line through the breakers to the shore, where songs of angels welcome, and Lee and Jackson listen!

"What a consoling reminder of our duty to God comes to us in the sweet voices of our Confederate Choirs, vested in gray to recall the glorious past, and wafting us on the wings of song to a vision of the eternal kingdom beyond the river.

"Happy, indeed, is the occasion graced by the lovely daughters of Dixie with 'songs of the Southland' (cheers.) to cheer the Veterans of Virginia, and delight with impassioned song the sinking heart of age.

"Delightful is their free-will offering of vocal music, and it will ever abide with us as a mother's prayer or a father's benediction.

"O song!

"Thy eye is faith and thy being is love."

Admiral Harrington, won the hearts of the Grand Camp by his tribute to the men of 1861-65, and as a token of his respect to them, he wore on his breast a Delegate's Badge.

Comrade Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson having on the uniform of his Camp, spoke to his old comrades, and was cheered to the echo.

The Grand Camp was entertained with music by the Mexican Band playing Dixie, and other familiar tunes.

The Confederate Choir sang the songs of forty years ago, the audience cheering and waving hats, and as "Way Down South in Dixie" went sounding through the Hall old men bowed their heads and wept.

Comrade Jno. C. Ewell offered the following which on motion was adopted.

We, the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia, express our warmest thanks to Pickett-Buchanan Camp, C. V., to the people of Norfolk, to President

Tucker, and the Jamestown Exposition Association, for the generous manner in which they have extended their entertainment to us.

The Committee on Distribution submitted the following report:

*To the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans:*

Your Committee on Distribution, to whom was referred the address of the Grand Commander, respectfully report:

FIRST. That portion of the Grand Commander's address, referring to the death of some of the officials of this Grand Camp, be referred to a "Memorial Committee," which your Committee recommends, shall be appointed consisting of five members, and this Committee to make its report at this session.

SECOND. So much of the address of the Grand Commander, as alludes to the pension laws of the State, be referred to the Committee on Legislation.

THIRD. So much of the address of the Grand Commander, as mentions a memorial at Gettysburg, and memorial of R. E. Lee at Washington and Lee University, and an equestrian statue of Stonewall Jackson, be referred to the Committee on Legislation.

FOURTH. So much of the address as refers to comrade John E. Laughton, Jr., and the success of the Battle Abbey, under comrade Rev. J. Wm. Jones, D. D., be referred to Committee on Resolutions with instructions to prepare and report suitable resolutions in keeping with the recommendations.

FIFTH. So much of the address of the Grand Commander, as alludes to the duties of the camps and the reports of the Quartermaster General and Inspector General and the extract of report of Major R. W. Hunter be referred to the Committee on the Good of the Order.

SIXTH. That portion of the address of the Grand Commander, referring to the office of Military Secretary of Virginia and also that portion calling on our senators and members of Congress to urge publication of the War Department Roster, be referred to Committee on Legislation.

SEVENTH. So much of the address of the Grand Commander as alludes to the hospitality of Pickett-Buchanan Camp, C. V., be referred to the Committee on Resolutions, with instructions to prepare and report suitable resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,

STITH BOLLING, *Chairman.*

After prayer by Rev. Dr. J. Wm. Jones, on motion the Grand Camp adjourned,

JOS. V. BIDGOOD,  
*Adjutant-General.*

WILLIAM H. STEWART,  
*Grand Commander.*

## ROSTER OF THE CAMPS COMPOSING THE GRAND CAMP CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

### Department of Virginia.

1. R. E. Lee, No. 1, Richmond—Commander, W. B. Freeman; Adjutant, J. Taylor Stratton, Richmond, Va.
2. Maury, No. 2, Fredericksburg—Commander, H. B. Bowring; Adjutant, B. C. Hart, Fredericksburg, Va.
3. Pickett-Buchanan, Norfolk—Commander, Alexander Hart; Adjutant, T. B. Jackson, Norfolk, Va.
4. Stonewall, Portsmouth—Commander, William H. Stewart; Adjutant, Thomas Shannon, Portsmouth, Va.
5. R. E. Lee, No. 2, Alexandria—Commander, W. W. Sherwood; Adjutant, Chas. S. Taylor, Alexandria, Va.
6. A. P. Hill, No. 1, Petersburg—Commander, Simon Seward; Adjutant, Carter R. Bishop, Petersburg, Va.
7. Clinton-Hatcher, Leesburg—Commander, Wm. B. Lynch; Adjutant, W. N. Wise, Leesburg, Va.
8. Garland-Rodes, Lynchburg—Commander, Tipton D. Jennings; Adjutant, M. Marion Seay, Lynchburg, Va.
9. George E. Pickett, Richmond—Commander, W. Miles Cary; Adjutant, Robert N. Northern, Richmond, Va.
10. R. E. Lee, No. 3, Hampton—Commander, R. K. Curtis; Adjutant, Joseph R. Haw, Hampton, Va.
11. Urquhart-Gillette, Courtland—Commander, Joseph L. Barham, Franklin, Va.; Adjutant James F. Bryant, Franklin, Va.
12. John R. Cooke, West Point—Commander, A. W. Eastwood; Adjutant, W. W. Green, West Point, Va.
13. William Watts, Roanoke—Commander, W. B. Waring; Adjutant, S. L. Crute, Roanoke, Va.
14. John Bowie-Strange, Charlottesville—Commander, Micajah Woods; Adjutant, Len. Wood, Charlottesville, Va.
15. A. P. Hill, No. 2, Culpeper—Commander, H. C. Burrows; Adjutant, W. P. Hill, Culpeper, Va.
16. Ewell, Prince William county—Commander, E. Berkley, Waterford, Va.; Adjutant, T. O. Taylor, Manassas, Va.
17. Callicote-Wrenn, Isle of Wight C. H.—Commander, J. W. Jordan; Adjutant, E. E. Edwards, Isle of Wight C. H., Va.



18. J. E. B. Stuart, No. 1, Dinwiddie C. H.—Commander, Charles E. Abernathy; Adjutant, A. M. Orgain, Jr., Dinwiddie C. H., Va.
19. Thornton-Pickett, Farmville—Commander, S. W. Paulett; Adjutant, B. M. Cox, Farmville, Va.
20. Stover, Strasburg—Commander, R. D. Funkhouser, Maurertown, Va.; Adjutant, Luther Hurn, Strasburg, Va.
21. J. A. Early, Rocky Mount—Commander, William Powell; Adjutant, G. W. B. Hale, Rocky Mount, Va.
22. Turner-Ashby, Winchester—Commander, George W. Kurtz; Adjutant, Philip W. Boyd, Winchester, Va.
23. Magruder-Ewell, Williamsburg—Commander, E. B. Trevillian; Adjutant, W. L. Jones, Williamsburg, Va.
24. J. E. B. Stuart, No. 2, Berryville, Clarke county—Commander, A. Moore, Jr., Berryville, Va.; Adjutant, W. T. Milton, Berryville, Va.
25. Stonewall Jackson, Staunton—Commander, T. A. Pace; Adjutant, F. T. Stribling, Jr., Staunton, Va.
26. L. A. Armistead, Clarksville—Commander, Henry Wood, Skipwith, Va.; Adjutant, R. J. Montgomery, LaCrosse, Va.
27. Louisa C. H.—Commander, William Kean, Thompson's X Roads, Va.; Adjutant, W. T. Meade, Louisa, Va.
28. G. C. Wharton, Radford—Commander, E. M. Ingles; Adjutant, W. P. Nye, Radford, Va.
29. Page-Puller, Gloucester C. H.—Commander, John N. Tabb; Adjutant, A. T. Wiatt, Gloucester, Va.
30. Niemeyer-Shaw, Berkley—Commander, Rev. J. R. Speight; Adjutant, T. H. Sykes, Berkley, Va.
31. John W. Rowan, Charlestown, W. Va.—Commander, Julius C. Holmes; Adjutant, C. F. Gallaher, Charlestown, W. Va.
32. Lee-Jackson, Lexington—Commander, J. P. Moore; Adjutant, W. C. Stuart, Lexington, Va.
33. James F. Preston, Christiansburg—Commander, H. D. Wade; Adjutant, J. U. Sumpter, Christiansburg, Va.
34. H. A. Carrington, Smithville—Commander, T. W. Scott, Drake's Branch, Va.; Adjutant, John B. Faris, Charlotte C. H., Va.
35. William S. Grimes, Gordonsville—Commander, Jas. W. Morton, Orange, Va.; Adjutant, W. H. Rickett, Orange, Va.
36. Magruder, Newport News—Commander, J. A. Braxton; Adjutant, Geo. W. Nelms, Newport News, Va.
37. Highland, Monterey—Commander, J. C. Matheny; Adjutant, O. Wilson, Monterey, Va.
38. H. A. Wise and W. H. F. Lee, Lunenburg—Commander, N. M. Neblett, Eanes, X Roads, Va.; Adjutant, S. H. Love, Kara, Va.
39. Lane-Diggs, Mathews C. H.—Commander, A. H. Williams; Adjutant, J. A. Weston, Port Haywood, Va.
40. J. C. Carpenter, Covington—Commander, William A. Rinehart; Adjutant, S. S. Carpenter, Covington, Va.
41. Appomattox, Appomattox C. H.—Commander, Wm. T. Johnson, Pamplin City, Va.; Adjutant, T. J. Stratton, Spout Springs, Va.

42. James A. Walker, Pulaski—Commander, C. L. Teany; Adjutant, R. H. Stewart, Pulaski, Va.
43. Bath, Warm Springs—Commander, William M. McAllister, Millboro, Va.; Adjutant,
44. Tom Smith, Suffolk—Commander, H. E. Smith; Adjutant, Richard S. Boykin, Suffolk, Va.
45. Jonathan B. Evans, Blacksburg—Commander, Boyd Anderson; Adjutant, L. M. Schaeffer, Blacksburg, Va.
46. Collins-Garnett, King George C. H.—Disbanded in 1900.
47. Peachy-Gilmer-Breckenridge, Fincastle—Commander, G. W. Breckenridge, Adjutant, Chas. T. Hazlegrove, Fincastle, Va.
48. Kemper-Strother-Fry, Madison—Commander, D. M. Pattie, Madison, Va.; Adjutant, T. N. Miller, Haywood, Va.
49. Wright-Latane, Tappahannock—Commander, T. R. B. Wright, Tappahannock, Va.; Adjutant, William Campbell, Dunnsville, Va.
50. Joseph E. Johnston, No. 1, Bedford City—Commander, Samuel Griffin; Adjutant, W. H. Mosby, Bedford City, Va.
51. W. B. Newton, Ashland—Commander, George P. Haw, Hanover C. H., Va.; Adjutant, Clifton Lee, 12 E. Main St., Richmond, Va.
52. Lawson-Ball, Lancaster—Commander, John C. Ewell, Bertrand P. O., Va.; Adjutant, T. A. Pinckard, Pinckardville, Va.
53. Pickett-Stuart, Nottoway C. H.—Commander, Wm. Hodges Mann, Nottoway C. H., Va.; Adjutant, W. S. Guy, Winnie, Va.
54. Fluvanna, Palmyra—Commander, Henry E. Wood, Bremo Bluff; Adjutant, B. W. Taylor, Nahor P. O., Va.
55. William Terry, Wytheville—Commander, J. J. A. Powell; Adjutant.
56. Brown-Harman, Tazewell—Commander, A. J. Tynes; Adjutant, T. P. Bowen, Tazewell, Va.
57. Healey-Claybrook, Saluda—Commander, William S. Christian; Adjutant, J. H. Fleet, Saluda, Va.
58. Westmoreland, Hague, Westmoreland county—Commander, Wm. Mayo, Hague, Va.; Adjutant, J. W. C. Davis, Hague, Va.
59. Joseph E. Johnston, No. 2, Manchester—Commander, B. M. Robinson; Adjutant, Edwin Howlet, Manchester, Va.
60. Myers-Riddlebarger, Edinburg—Commander, A. F. Grandstaff, Edinburg, Va.; Adjutant, J. B. Sheffler, Edinburg, Va.
61. Irving, Buckingham C. H.—Commander, J. T. Rogers; Buckingham, Va.; Adjutant, J. C. Hanes, Eldridge's Mills, Va.
62. Jim Pleasants, Goochland C. H.—
63. Joseph E. Johnston, No. 3, Lignum, Culpeper county—Commander, George H. Jones, Lignum, Va.; Adjutant, J. D. Billingsley, Lignum, Va.
64. Stuart-Hairston, Martinsville—Commander, O. M. Allen; Adjutant, B. F. Powell, Martinsville, Va.
65. Gibson McCready, Marion—Commander, G. H. Fudge, Marion, Va.; Adjutant, W. W. George, Broad Ford, Va.
66. Ball-Betts-Stokes, Heathsville—Commander, Hiram E. Coles, Lillian, Va.; Adjutant, J. W. Anderson, Heathsville, Va.

67. Chamblis-Barham, Emporia—Commander, A. W. Ferguson, Hitchcocks, Va.; Adjutant, John F. Powell, Emporia, Va.
68. George W. Summers, Shenandoah—Commander———; Adjutant, Thomas A. Miller, Shenandoah, Va.
69. Hupp-Deyerle, Salem—Commander, Geo. W. Zerkle; Adjutant, Addison H. Whitesell, Salem, Va.
70. Brunswick, Lawrenceville—Commander, J. M. Flournoy; Adjutant, J. E. Trotter, Lawrenceville, Va.
71. Richmond County, Warsaw—Commander, Thomas E. Pullen, Newland, Va.; Adjutant, O. M. Le Moine, Emmerton, Va.
72. McElhaney, Lebanon—Commander, J. C. Gent; Adjutant, S. H. Wyatt, Lebanon, Va.
73. Marr, Fairfax C. H.—Commander, I. N. Ballard, Fairfax C. H., Va.; Adjutant, Joseph Cooper, Fairfax C. H., Va.
74. Blue Ridge, Buena Vista—Commander, T. F. Amole; Adjutant, G. M. Speck, Buena Vista, Va.
75. Henry Gantt, Scottsville—Commander, J. C. Hill; Adjutant, J. C. Hall, Scottsville, Va.
76. Cabell-Graves, Danville—Commander, Harry Wooding; Adjutant, R. A. Walters, Danville, Va.
77. Mercer, Bluefield—Commander, James M. French; Adjutant, William A. Cooper, Bluefield, W. Va.
78. Wise, —Merged into Irving Camp, No. 61.
79. Edmunds, Kentuck—Commander, C. D. Bennett, Ringgold, Va.; Adjutant, W. N. Lewis, Danville, Va.
80. Prideore, Jonesville—Commander, James M. Durham, Duffold, Va.; Adjutant, Jno. R. Gibson, Jonesville, Va.
81. Giles, Pearisburg—Commander, J. B. Peck; Adjutant, F. G. Thrasher, Pearisburg, Va.
82. Bagby-Smith-Fox, King and Queen C. H.—Commander, Theodore Courtney; Adjutant, Norvell Ryland, King and Queen C. H., Va.
83. Halifax, South Boston—Commander, H. A. Edmundson; Adjutant, E. N. Hardy, South Boston, Va.
84. William Richardson, Front Royal—Commander, Irving A. Buck; Adjutant, J. B. Compton, Front Royal, Va.
85. Shenandoah, Woodstock—Commander, John H. Grabill, Woodstock, Va.; Adjutant, George W. Miley, Woodstock, Va.
86. Hugh McGuire, Lebanon Church—Commander, Wm. Miller; Adjutant, S. R. Feely, Lebanon Church, Va.
87. John T. Powell, Lovington—Commander, John T. Powell, Tye River; Adjutant, W. J. Kidd, Elmington, Va.
88. James Breathed, Pulaski City—Commander, J. B. Painter; Adjutant, C. B. Tate, Pulaski City, Va.
89. Rosser-Gibbons, Luray—Commander, R. S. Parks; Adjutant, S. K. Wright, Luray, Va.
90. S. B. Gibbons, Harrisonburg—Commander, D. H. Lee Martz; Adjutant, B. M. Newman, Harrisonburg, Va.

91. Joe Kendall, Warrenton—Commander, Col. Tom Smith, Warrenton, Va.; Adjutant, R. A. Hart, Waterloo, Va.
92. P. N. Hale, Independence, Va.—Commander, E. T. Kirby; Adjutant, J. E. Collins, Comer's Rock, Va.
93. Goss-Grigsby, Stony Point, Va.—Commander, Alvah Kase, Stony Point, Va.; Adjutant, Lynn L. Goss, Rosena, Va.
94. Harman-Crockett-Stowers, Bland, Va.—Commander, W. N. Harman; Adjutant, W. B. Ashworth, Bland, Va.
95. Harrison-Harwood, Charles City county, Va.—Commander, T. L. Walker, Roxbury, Va.; Adjutant, Thomas W. Wileox, Charles City C. H., Va.
96. Princess Anne, Princess Anne C. H., Va.—Commander, E. E. Burroughs, Segma, Va.; Adjutant, Oswald B. Mears, Norfolk, R. F. D. No. 2, Va.
97. W. B. Woolridge, Chesterfield C. H., Va.—Commander, John F. Bransford, Bon Air, Va.; Adjutant, E. H. Flournoy, Chesterfield, Va.
98. Lee-Douglas-Carter, King William county, Va.—Commander, L. D. Robinson, Skyron, Va.; Adjutant, Wm. M. Gary, Wakena, Va.
99. Pittsylvania, Chatham, Va.—Commander, Chiswell Dabney; Adjutant, Fletcher B. Watson, Chatham, Va.
100. Sussex, Sussex C. H., Va.—Commander, W. R. Arnold, Wavely, Va.; Adjutant, George W. Jackson, Yale, Va.
101. Deal-Crenshaw, Surry, Va.—Commander, A. P. Bohannon; Adjutant, J. L. Hargrave, Surry C. H., Va.
102. Clintwood, Clintwood, Va.—Commander, Felix Senter; Adjutant, A. J. Edwards, Colley, P. O., Va.
103. Ivanhoe, Ivanhoe, Va.—Commander, M. W. Jewett, Ivanhoe, Va.; Adjutant, H. C. Thompson.
104. J. E. B. Stuart, No. 3, Stuart, Va.—Commander, Wm. T. Akers, Stuart, Va.; Adjutant, Samuel F. Shelor.
105. Neff-Rice, New Market, Va.—Commander, C. Shirly, New Market, Va.; Adjutant, John L. Shaeffer, Quicksburg, Va.
106. Wm. E. Jones, Abington, Va.—Commander, J. H. Hazy; Adjutant, Thomas K. Trigg, Abington, Va.
107. Rappahannock, Washington, Va.—Commander, Thomas B. Massie, Guins' X Roads, Va.; Adjutant, J. B. Miller, Washington, Rappahannock, Va.
108. R. E. Lee, No. 4, Smithfield, Va.—Commander, E. M. Morrison; Adjutant, J. D. Jordan, Smithfield, Isle of Wight county, Va.
109. Amelia, Amelia C. H., Va.—Commander, Joseph W. Southall; Adjutant, N. W. de Kraft, Amelia C. H., Va.
110. John S. Mosby, Richmond, Va.—Commander, H. L. McIlhany, Staunton, Va.; Adjutant, H. S. Ashby, Delaplane, Fauquier county, Va.
111. Floyd, Floyd C. H., Va.—Commander, W. T. Sowers, Poff, Va.; Adjutant, N. J. Agnew, Floyd C. H., Va.
112. L. J. Perkins, White Top, Grayson county, Va.—Commander, W. J. Cornett; Adjutant, J. F. Russell, Flat Ridge P. O., Grayson county, Va.
113. A. M. Davis, Baywood, Grayson county, Va.—Commander, Haywood Blevins; Adjutant, H. W. Fields, Baywood P. O., Grayson county, Va.
114. Dearing, Rustburg, Va.—Commander, John W. Daniel, Lynchburg, Va.; Adjutant, D. J. Evans, Rustburg, Va.



115. Jennings-Haynes, Hillsville, Carroll county, Va.—Commander, W. H. Sutherland; Adjutant, E. W. Franklin, Hillsville P. O., Carroll county, Va.
116. Beaverdam, Beaverdam, Va.—Commander, Jacob T. Bradshaw, Carrsville, Va.; Adjutant, D. L. Butler, Valeria, Va.
117. Ashby, Conieville, Shenandoah county, Va.—Commander, J. L. Hansbarger, Conieville, Va.; Adjutant, B. F. Litton, Edenburg, Va.
118. Alleghany Roughts, Clifton Forge, Va.—Commander, J. S. Jordan; Adjutant, James Green.
119. Harry Heth, Washington, D. C.—Commander, J. McD. Carrington, Adjutant, Jno. T. Callaghan, 30 Grant Place, Washington, D. C.
120. Wise county, Wise, Va.—Commander, G. W. Bond; Adjutant, G. W. Kilgore.
121. John T. Ellis Camp, Amherst, Va.—Commander, H. J. Dobbs; Adjutant, E. B. McGinnis.
122. Caroline County, Bowling Green, Va.—Commander, C. T. Smith Croxton; Adjutant, E. R. Coghill.
123. Jefferson County, Charlestown, W. Va.—Commander, R. P. Chew; Adjutant, George H. Hageley, Charlestown, W. Va.
124. Halifax County, South Boston, Va.—Commander, Henry Easley; Adjutant, E. N. Hardy.
125. Harmonson-West, Parksley, Accomac Co.—Commander, Dr. Frank Fletcher, Jenkins Bridge, Va.; Adjutant, Thomas C. Kelley, Hallwood, Va.